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W'stock ordinances debated, approved

By ALISON ALOISIO

After much discussion, the 80 voters at Monday's Woodstock town meeting passed four new ordinances, one of which squeaked by with only a five-vote margin.

Residents also approved all the money articles on the warrant.

A proposal for an occupancy certificate for new homes and buildings prompted much debate.

Planning Board Chairman Tom Hartford said he wrote the ordinance in response to requests from banks and insurance companies who had been requesting such documents in recent years.

He noted that the town has not adopted the state's building code, and the town code enforcement officer does not inspect buildings.

Hartford said he didn't want it to place any more restrictions on property owners than the town currently requires. So the certificate calls for a signature from the property owner verifying that town requirements, such as setbacks, septic plan and house numbering have been met.

For businesses, the owner must additionally state that county, state and federal requirements have been met.

But a few residents worried that would put undue liability on the property owner. They also felt the wording implied homeowners must also verify that county, state and federal requirements be met.

Some suggested the town attorney review the proposed certificate before the town approved it, and find ways for the CEO to aid homeowners

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School Board accepts Andover's $68K deal

By ALISON ALOISIO

The SAD 44 School Board voted 10-5 Tuesday to accept an offer from Andover to pay $68,000 over and above its regular share of the school budget in order to keep the town's school open another year.

Four directors from Bethel and one from Greenwood opposed the offer, at least at this time.

Some directors wondered why the decision could not be put off until more information was available about the overall SAD 44 budget.

Bethel Director Lynn Arizzi also cited the difference between the $214,000 extra paid by Andover this year to keep the school open and the $68,000 offer for next year, as well as the loss next year of federal stimulus funds and a one-time payment of $50,000 from the Spruce Mountain LLC wind company. "I'd like to accept [the $68,000], but I want to know how [the shortfalls] are going to be absorbed," she said.

Chair Sid Pew of Andover said the board faced the annual problem of trying to put together the budget puzzle without all the pieces being available yet.

"What comes first?" he said, "We need to know the income to develop a budget."

The Finance Committee expects to bring a budget proposal to the board in late April or early May.

Supt. Dave Murphy said that because of the combination of more money anticipated from the state (an estimated $48,000), more carryover funds from this year, and an

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Roadwork, revaluation on the agenda in Gilead

By ALISON ALOISIO

At their annual town meeting Saturday, Gilead voters will consider a municipal budget of $279,774, up $78,000 from last year. They will also fill the seats of several retiring town officials.

The budget total does not include school costs, which will be addressed at a special town meeting when the figures are available.

The increase in the town budget would come primarily from a proposed road project on the North Road, at an estimated cost of $80,000.

The 1,300 foot section of road washes out each year, according to Town Clerk Lin Chapman. "It needs to be built up and retarred," she said.

The $80,000 proposed would include $57,900 for paving and $22,100 for additional gravel.

Also proposed is a $30,000 town-wide property revaluation. Chapman was not sure when a revaluation last took place in Gilead, but she said the property values are outdated.

The revaluation cost would be offset in the overall budget total by the payoff last year of a large roadwork loan. Last year's payments totaled about $31,000, Chapman said.

Other large money articles include $33,128 for road maintenance, $29,000 for long-term notes, $25,500 for salaries, $24,000 for insurance, and $21,000 for Transfer Station operation.

Chapman noted that for the first time in at least 25 years, the town has not had to borrow tax-anticipation money

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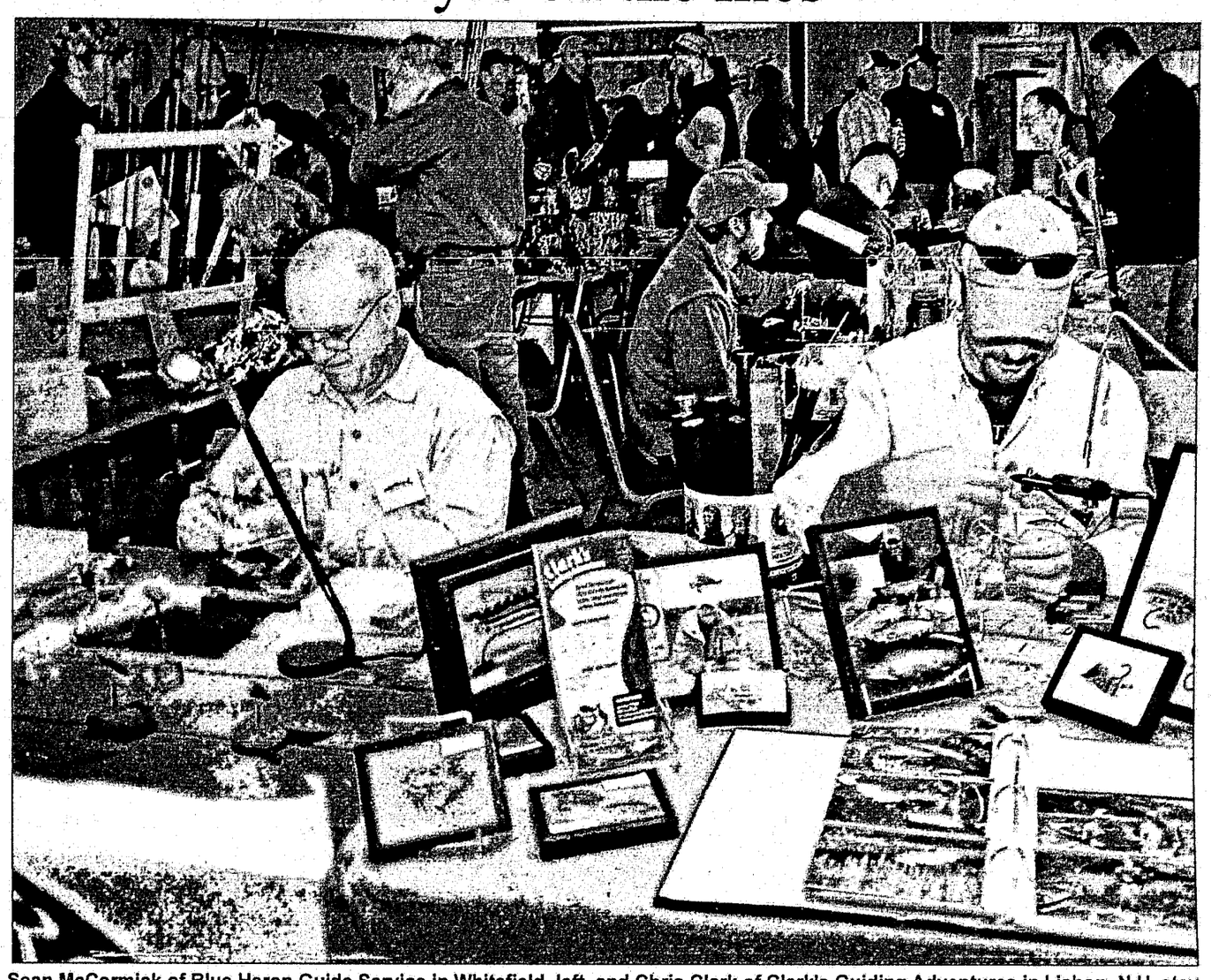
Eyes on the flies



Sean McCormick of Blue Heron Guide Service in Whitefield, left, and Chris Clark of Clark's Guiding Adventures in Lisbon, N.H. stay focused on the tasks at hand Saturday, as Expo action swirls around them. *(Photo: M. Daniels)*

First Western Maine Fly Fishing Expo draws more than 500 exhibitors and enthusiasts

By MICHAEL DANIELS

"Everything was over-the-top positive," said Scott Stone. "People, from vendors to attendees, are jacked for next year. Everybody said, 'I hope you're going to keep doing this.'"

"We are," Stone said. "Definitely."

The First Annual Western Maine Fly Fishing Expo, held Saturday in the Bethel Inn Conference Center, drew more than 40 exhibitors and 500 attendees to Bethel.

The expo was jointly sponsored by the the Mollyockett Chapter of Trout Unlimited and the Upper Andro Anglers Alliance.

The Expo raised approximately $9,000, Stone said, "and every penny of it, every single penny, is going to go into improving fish habitat, to create better fishing opportunities here in western Maine.

"We're a group of volunteers, so there's no government fees, no administrative fees."

Stone is on the Board of Directors of MCTU and president of UAAA

MCTU has 114 members, Stone said, six of whom joined at the Expo.

'Every penny of it, every single penny, is going to go into improving fish habitat, to create better fishing opportunities here in western Maine.'

SCOTT STONE

He said the two groups came together because western Maine is "really missing a marketing angle," when it comes to developing the potential of the recreational fishing market.

The two groups pan to use this year's proceeds on removing a dam on the Crooked River in Waterford, putting in a new boat launch on the Androscoggin River in Gilead (subject to town approval and site selection), and repairing culverts on Aziscohos Lake, in northwestern Oxford County.

The dam removal is especially important for maintaining a healthy landlocked salmon population in Sebago Lake, Scott said. (The Crooked River flows into Sebago Lake.)

And Sebago Lake is the home lake of the landlocked salmon.

"The landlocked salmon was originated in Sebago Lake," he said. "The whole concept of a landlocked salmon is based in Sebago Lake."

"If we've learned nothing else here in Maine, it's 'Dams stop fish from producing, because they have no place to spawn.'"

But other people have other, sometimes conflicting, priorities.

"There's a fellow in Bolster's Mills who is hell bend on building a dam, Stone said. "This guy wants to build a dam so he can run a waterwheel and show people one week a year, on 'Olde Home Days,' or whatever it's called, how a mill worked."

The effect such a dam would have on landlocked salmon in Sebago Lake would be devastating, Stone said.

"And when you look at the money that is generated by tourism and fishermen coming to fish for that prize fish, it just doesn't make sense economically."

Hunt for missing woman shifts to the south

By TONY REAVES, Sun Media Group, and Citizen Staff

Johnson's Subaru was totalled earlier this month, and one license plate (SASSYFJ) is missing. Police are asking that people focus on the last two letters (FJ), and if the plate is spotted, call 911 as soon as possible.

A woman who was considered missing and in danger may be in Auburn or Falmouth rather than Bethel, where she recently moved. (Photo, Page 4)

Police are looking into reported sightings in the past week of Fay E. Johnson, a woman who went missing while moving from Lewiston to Bethel.

Capt. Hart Daley of the Oxford County Sheriff's Office said Tuesday that "very credible" sources have reported contact with Johnson, 62, in Auburn and Falmouth as recently as last Saturday.

Police said Johnson is in danger because of a serious medical condition, but Daley said there is "absolutely no indication of foul play" in Johnson's apparent disappearance.

People in Falmouth and Auburn have given accurate descriptions of Johnson in recent sightings, he said.

"Some of the things that she discussed with them would lead us to believe that it certainly was Fay Johnson," Daley said. "But we need to confirm that."

"Now that the word is getting out, people are actually paying attention," he said.

Johnson was in the process of moving into a building in Bethel. On Tuesday, the building was taped off, as Johnson had possessions in the home and police wanted to preserve the condition.

As the search for Johnson unfolds, Daley said, they may go back into the home to continue looking for clues of Johnson's whereabouts.

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Letters

THANK YOU, GILEAD

To the Editor:

It is with much emotion that I announce my decision to not run again for Gilead Tax Collector. My decision comes after a long struggle with growing health problems over the past few years.

The last 25 years that I've shared with residents of the Town have been wonderful. As many of you know I ran the Tax Office out of my house until the current Town Office was built a few years ago. In that time the door to my home was always open for tax payments, assessment meetings, Selectmen's meetings, vehicle registrations, and various other things that are essential to running a Town. I want all of you to know that I love and cherish each one of you and the laughter, the heartache, the stories, and all of the emotions and experiences you brought to my door. I am blessed and humbled to have been able to have the privilege of knowing each one of you so personally. I would also like to thank my family for putting up with my conducting Town business at all hours of the day, every day when the Tax Office was in my home. One never knew who was going to pop through the door or at what time!

I am very grateful and proud to have had the chance to serve my community in other ways as well. I had great fun organizing or helping to organize multiple events for the community including Easter egg hunts, Christmas parties, community suppers, and the 2004 Bicentennial parade. Heartfelt thanks to Fran Head for her help and support for many of these events! I am also proud to have been able to apply and receive for the Town a Rural Community Development Block Grant for the newest fire truck that now sits in our station.

I especially want to thank the following people for their help, knowledge and advice over the years: Mike Rogers from the State Bureau of Taxation; Scott Parker from the Maine Emergency Management Agency; Curtis Cole from WJ Wheeler Insurance Agency; Paul, John, and Mike from John E O'Donnell & Associates; Lance Bean from Hoisington & Bean; the late Phil Vigue, State Auditor; and the Town of Greenwood (for help with registrations).

I wish the best to all of my very special residents. Thank you for allowing me to serve the Gilead Community for so many years. Each of you holds a very special place in my heart – I love you all.

Bev Corriveau
Gilead

GRADUATION FUNDRAISING

To the Editor:

Just a note to inform all parents of Telstar Seniors and Community Members, Project Graduation fundraising efforts are in full swing. We have sent out various donation letters to businesses in our area, requested donations from professional sports teams, started a collection can drive and will soon be starting a Telstar star donor program at area banks. If you see the cans, or go into one of the area banks and would like to donate, thank you! If you would like to send in donations, whether it is monetary, business t-shirts, business hats, sports memorabilia, gift certificates or anything to benefit the seniors' last night together, please send them to Telstar Regional High School c/o of Wendy Hanscom.

Anne-Marie Mahar and Joline Milledge graciously made and donated a quilt to be raffled off.

We started selling tickets at the Bingo Hall at Jackson Silver Post 68 on Friday nights and will be selling them at other locations as well.

If you would like to purchase a ticket for the quilt, you may contact me at the e-mail at the bottom of this letter to make a connection plan. The drawing will be held Friday, May 11, 2012 just in time for Mother's Day.

Special note for all Telstar seniors and their parents: Tammy House will be doing this year's slide show. Tammy needs pictures, with your name on them, as soon as possible to make this happen. Please, Please, Please get pictures to the school before April vacation. There is a box in the High School office or they can be e-mailed to Tammy at tammus24@yahoo.com. She is looking for any and every picture she can. She would like at least five for each student from younger years to this year.

For more information, you can e-mail me at wakefieldmissy@gmail.com

Missy Wakefield
2012 Telstar Project Graduation

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THE TARP THAT THOUGHT IT WAS A SAIL—or was shanghaled into the role by Monday's strong winds. The winds averaged 15 to 25 miles an hour, with gust of 30 to 40, according to the National Weather Service office in Gray. The winds continued through the night and, somewhat abated, into Tuesday. There were scattered power outages and wind-driven grass fires throughout the area, but the Oxford County Emergency Management Agency in South Paris reported no serious damage. The tarp here ended up in branches 15 to 18 feet up, in trees bordering a farm field near the top of Rowe Hill in Greenwood.

PLEASED TO HAVE SPARKED A DIALOGUE

To the Editor:

I am pleased that my ridiculous tirades have drawn a response, and perhaps a dialogue with someone embracing a differing political ideology and opinions than myself. I applaud Brenda for stepping forward and taking issue with anything that she does not agree with. Brenda and myself seem to be coming to different conclusions from essentially the same political platform. She is registered as neither a Republican nor a Democrat, I am registered as a Democrat, but only by default. My political platform is derived from eighty-plus years of clinging tenaciously to one of the lower rounds of the economic ladder, and I take intense issue with those on the top rounds who are striving to step on the fingers, and completely dislodge those in the lower rounds.

I do not profess to be a pundit for any political party, my ire is dedicated and directed solely at the firmly entrenched hierarchy of the federal Republican establishment, that champions the causes of the corporate structure and the top monetary one percent at the expense of those who can least afford it. I applaud our local political figures both Republican and Democrat as folks who genuinely strive to deal with difficult social problems and make them right.

I am in wholehearted agreement with some elements of Brenda's presentation, but at the same time I can't help but notice it to be wrought with a degree of conflicting contentions and inconsistency. In her presentation Brenda asked the question: With complete Democratic control of the federal government from 2008-2010, what was accomplished? In 2008 when Barack Obama was elected, the American economy was headed for Republican incited oblivion. The plunge into this terminal abyss was brought to an abrupt halt, and a slow, arduous and painful recovery was initiated. In 2010 when the Republicans took control of the House, their self-professed prime intent and purpose was dedicated, not to the well being of the collective citizenry of this nation, but to politically discrediting the prevailing administration. Another question Brenda asked in her presentation was: How has the economy been boosted in the past three years? The answer is, that even under the stress of intense Republican opposition the economy is slowly improving and continues to grow. I agree with Brenda that gas prices are a detriment to the economic recovery, but no matter who the president is they would have little control or influence over the vulture capitalistic tendencies of the oil speculators, and the extortionary practices of the big oil companies.

Don Chase
Bethel

Celladore

'How do you get water?'

Better than crust were icicles of almost entirely water content. We had never liked the long porches and the low addition on the barn that was meant for a garage and used for a blacksmith shop. Now they were assets. Some days three-foot-long icicles hung all along the edge. Picking them was great fun. One looked up, seeing the beauty all around, then reached for the iridescent prize, as elusive to capture as the rainbow. They snapped loose from the eaves and shattered in one's hand. There were two approaches: one to go gaily along holding a pail underneath and listening to the broken bits falling like a scherzo dance tune; or, to go slowly, and try each time to get just one intact. Does one skip along and take life as it comes? Does one go slowly and forever try to hold beauty intact in one's hands? Why had no poet ever written a sonnet to an icicle?

Upstairs I put old rugs under the windows and set out tubs. In the morning I stepped out on the porch roof and shoveled in snow or ice. By night it would be melted for bathroom use. We went to Alice's and filled gallon glass jugs for cooking and drinking water. B.B. had a one hundred-gallon tank on the truck which he hauled up full to water the horses. This was a bit of a nuisance as we could not leave the water outside at night; it froze. So everything available was pressed into use for a container and the kitchen was always full of tubs, my big canning kettle, even our largest wastebaskets. I thought that we were managing quite well, but B.B. did not.

He came in one day with a tank of water but did not empty it. Instead there was much running up and down of cellar stairs, trips to the pumphouse. Finally I heard some oaths and saw B.B. letting the water run out on the ground. Was he daft? I hastily put on the kettle, laid out the coffee cups. In he came with a strange looking device in his hands. He had bought it thinking that it would pump the water from the tank on the truck into the big tank in the cellar. Darkness had come, he could no longer see to fuss with it, and it did not work. He explained, as was his wont, exactly how it should have performed; no part was missing. I listened, as usual not understanding a word. I felt I must show some response so suggested maybe there was a defective part. Tomorrow we could exchange it.

Tomorrow came; the mercury went up to thirty-two degrees. B.B. was off, home cheerfully, there had been something wrong. He was off for a tank of water. I listened at the cellar door, soon came the angels singing, the sound of the swish of water going into the big tank. I raced downstairs; no leaks, it was working. B.B. dashed back to town for two more loads and came in with great satisfaction announcing, "And now we can empty out all these d.... tubs and pans and be able to walk through the house again without danger of drowning.

I looked at him aghast. "You certainly aren't planning to dump all this good water, are you?" "Why not, I can haul more." "I will use it now then." So I flew to wash sweaters, socks, and floors, using water with abandon. Going through the southwest chamber to the window to throw some dirty water over the edge of the roof so as not to clog the plumbing, I remembered a winter project that I had had before the well went dry.

Continues Next Week

Our Back Pages

Compiled by Danna Brown Nickerson

10 years ago: Danielle Littlehale was hired as a full-time police officer for the Bethel Police Department.

On March 19 the ice on Howard Pond in Hanover was reported to be 12 to 16 inches thick.

The Reader's Theater, directed by Susan Clement Farrar, presented several skits at Crescent Park Elementary School.

Deaths: Opal E. Tyler, Clyde W. Millett, Jr., Charles R. Everett, Irene Bertha Leonard:

20 years ago: The canoeing leg of the annual Pole, Paddle and Paw competition was eliminated because the Sunday River was nearing flood level.

Telstar Middle School took first place in the annual Sandy/Andy Math Meet.

Rep. Alvin L. Barth was appointed to the board to govern the Math and Science Alliance of Maine: A Community of Discovery.

Birth: Morgan Paige McClean.

Deaths: Marion L. Swan, Willard I. Bailey.

30 years ago: The Telstar Regional High School "Swingin' Rebel Jazz Band" won the State Division III Jazz Band competition.

Warren Powers of Newry was confined to his home after receiving second and third degree burns on his legs and hands in a shop fire at his home.

Death: Huldah Corkum

40 years ago: Members of Telstar's National Honor Society attended the 13th state convention of the Maine National Honor Society at Waterville. Gayle Packard was elected State Treasurer.

The large plate glass window at Ernest Angevine's chainsaw and Ski-Doo store was broken and two chainsaws valued at over $600 were stolen.

SAD 44 staff and teachers presented a "Faculty Follies" variety show to benefit Dollars for Scholars.

Death: Robert B. Goddard

50 years ago: David R. Myers was a torpedo-man's mate 3rd class aboard the escort destroyer USS Robert L. Wilson, which took part in the Project Mercury recovery force operations for Marine Lt. Col. John Glenn.

Births: Beth Ann Bragg, David Kirk Baker, Allan Ross Jackson.

Deaths: Charles D. Conner, Albert E. Fuller, Mrs. Jeannette Clough.

60 years ago: A Republican Caucus was held at the Branch School, North Newry. L.E. Wight was elected delegate to the State Convention with F.W. Wight alternate.

me of C. A. Judkins in Upton.

Births: Craig Carroll Walker, Martha Vaughn Vail, Susan Haselton, Frederick MacKillop, Scott Richard Howe.

Deaths: Herbert I. Bean, Ivan Ferrand.

70 years ago: Bethel contributions exceeded the $1,200 Red Cross quota. The Boy Scouts donated $37.53 from the sale of paper.

Gerald Robinson, who had been employed 18 years in the Tebbets mill, Locke Mills, went to work as engineer at Cummings mill, Norway.

The Western Maine Boys' Conference under the auspices of the state YMCA met at Gould Academy.

80 years ago: A fall of a foot of snow blocked the roads in and around Bethel. It was the worst of the winter.

Deaths: Mrs. Eliza J. Sanborn, Herbert R. Dennison, Mrs. Sarah W. Foster.

90 years ago: S. S. Greenleaf rented the store on Church Street formerly occupied by Mr. Pollard and opened a tea room and candy store.

I. Kennerson sold his farm on the Locke Mills road to Fred Aubin.

F.E. Davis of South Woodstock had 500 maple trees tapped.

Deaths: Robins Grover Stearns, Kenneth H. Stearns.

100 years ago: Douglas Cushing, West Bethel, went to Portland to hear ex-President "Teddy" Roosevelt speak.

Maple Inn opened its doors on Main Street. (now Sudbury Inn).

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Letters

DAFFODIL DAYS THANKS

To the Editor:

Thank you to everyone who helped make the 2012 American Cancer Society Daffodil Days a great success. Thanks to the businesses and individuals who pre-ordered bouquets, potted bulbs and the Boyd's Bears. "Gifts of Hope" (a daffodil bouquet) were appreciated by individuals in the Bethel area who are dealing with cancer. "Bear Hugs" (a bear and daffodils) will be given to children who are in treatment for cancer.

Thanks to everyone who purchased daffodils at the Bethel Foodliner. I am grateful to the volunteers who sold flowers at the store.

Thomas Carter won the 2012 Boyd's Bear, "Shar N. Hope."

Caroline V. Gould
Coordinator, Daffodil Days for Bethel area

SKI-A-THON ON TARGET FOR $300K

To the Editor:

The 27th Annual Ski-A-Thon is expected to raise $300,000 for Maine Adaptive Sports & Recreation. The Ski-A-Thon took place Saturday, March 24 and pledges totaling $270,000 to date were reported during the weekend. Eighty-nine fundraising teams, each with five members, participated in the event this year. Pledges continue coming in, and the total is likely to reach $300,000 by the time final collections are completed in the coming weeks.

Despite the unprecedented heat last week and resulting loss of snow, Sunday River had ample terrain for hundreds of Ski-A-Thon skiers and riders to enjoy being out throughout the day on Saturday. The March 24 event also featured countless other activities, live music and meals in and around the ballroom of the resort's Grand Summit hotel.

"This was a critical year of transition for us and we still have a great shot for at least $300K in Ski-A-Thon donations. I am very thankful for this wonderful community of supporters," said Maine Adaptive Executive Director Peter Adams.

The top fundraising team, the Dream Makers, made up of Craig Cooper, Tony Lawless, Bob Sargent and Tom Buckland raised over $44,000 themselves, smashing the previous record by nearly $10,000. "What the Dream Makers team accomplished this year was not only historic by all dollar standards, it came during this very exciting transition to our new name and growth strategy," said Adams. "Their generosity helps so much in helping create the positive momentum we need to help us realize our dreams to deliver the best in adaptive programs to more and more people. They are real heroes today for what they have collectively done and we thank them from the bottom of our hearts."

Rounding out the rest of top three fundraising teams were Team Merrill Brook led by Bing Fishman with over $13,000 and Northern Data Systems led by Mark Stevens with over $10,000. Seventy-one individuals raised over $1,000 each in pledges in time for Saturday's event. In addition to Sunday River, major sponsors of the 2012 Ski-A-Thon included Acadia Benefits, Orthopedic Associates, Norway Savings Bank and Northern Data Systems.

Maine Adaptive Sports & Recreation is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to provide and promote adaptive recreation for people with physical disabilities. The Ski-A-Thon is the largest fundraiser each year and helps keep all Maine Adaptive lessons and programs free of charge for participants. More info can be found at www.maineadaptive.org.

Eric Topper
Director of Outreach Maine Adaptive Sports & Recreation

NEVER SAID 'FORCED TO SELL'

To the Editor:

I read Ginny Williamson's letter to the editor criticizing me for my letters concerning the Umbagog Refuge and its manager. I am glad Mrs. Williamson enjoys having Paul Casey. Her neighbor has cost her town over $2,000,000 worth of valuation, and maybe she should ask some of her neighbors how much they value Paul Casey's neighborliness. You will have a chance to see how much respect her neighbors and surrounding towns have for Mr. Casey shortly when both Maine and New Hampshire federal legislators meet with the common citizens to air their concerns about the Refuge and its management.

One thing Mrs. Williamson forgot to mention in her letter is that back in the '80s when the Refuge was being planned in secret, several locals who owned land around the lake worked with federal officials in planning this beast. When the first public meeting occurred in the Errol Town Hall we found out it was a done deal and had been in the works for several years. The locals who were in this elite group never told a single soul about their meetings until it was too late. Even Errol town officials were kept in the dark because they knew what the reaction would be. As I have stated in previous letters, everyone around here who favored that refuge either gained monetary value from it or hopes to.

I presented my signed petitions to our legislators today and had a meeting with Sen. Shaheen's people this past Wednesday. What amazed me was how little these federal legislators know about the effects of their votes. Our state legislature is picking up the ball and will be supporting a moratorium on further land purchases. This summer, our state legislators, county commissioners, along with Sen. Ayotte, Sen. Shaheen, and Representatives Bass and Quinta will have a public meeting in Errol to hear all our concerns. On the Maine side, similar plans are in the works.

In closing, I never said in any of my letters that Paul Casey forced people to sell. I did say that the Feds could outbid any private citizen wishing to buy, and I have e-mails from people who tried to buy places up here only to lose to Paul Casey.

Very shortly, Wentworth Location will exist no more, with Cambridge to follow, courtesy of this refuge and its manager. When one million dollars are used to buy Big Island that was already conserved while people are hurting, and every single person in this country owes $56,000 apiece toward our national debt, that is nuts, and any common-sense person knows it.

Bob Lord
Errol, N.H.

NEWS AND PHOTOS FROM CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

The Citizen welcomes submissions of news items and photographs from local clubs and organizations.

The deadline for clubs and organizational items is noon Monday, but earlier submission is appreciated.

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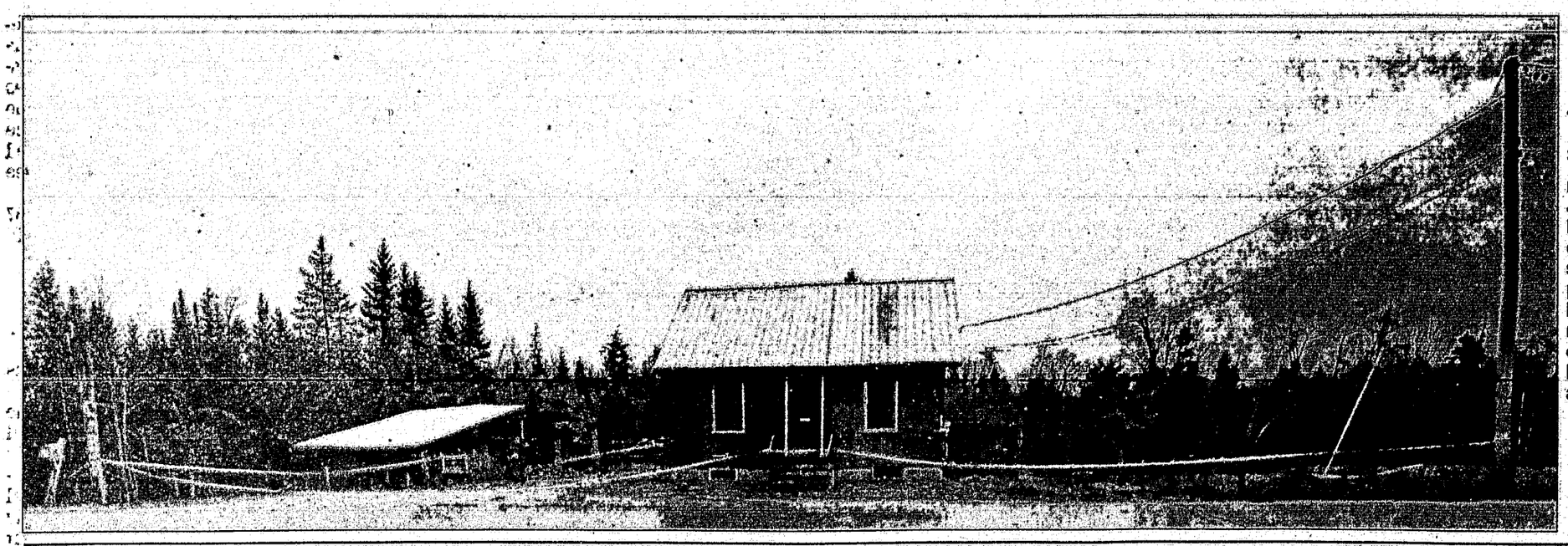

THE VERNON STREET HOME rented by Fay Johnson, has been cordoned off with crime-scene tape, but police say there is "absolutely no indication of foul play," in her disappearance.

(Photo: M. Daniels)

Woodstock

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approved it and find ways for the CEO to aid homeowners in the certificate completion process. But the permit was eventually approved in a written ballot, 41-36.

Also drawing significant discussion was a Quiet Zone ordinance proposal, prompted by complaints about the use of truck "jake brakes" in Bryant Pond Village.

Jan Kendrick, who requested the ordinance, said she was mostly concerned about trucks that are "excessively loud," but did not want to stop the use of the brakes in safety situations.

"We're just trying to say, 'please respect the quiet,'" she said. Other village residents said they believed some truckers used the brakes even when they are not needed. Motorcycles were also mentioned as a source of significant noise.

The ordinance passed by a show of hands, with some opposed. "Quiet Zone" signs will be placed in the village.

Also approved was an ordinance establishing a one-year moratorium on wind power projects, while a town committee crafts an ordinance.

Bob Elliot of the committee said members wished to have the time to get feedback on the new Spruce Mountain LLC project. He said that since the project went online in December, the group has been receiving input from residents. Most of the concerns related to noise and visual impact, he said, and the possible effect on property values.

Several people at the meeting were also happy to provide feedback.

Gary Kendall, who lives about a mile away said that in the winter, when the leaves are off the trees, he "can hear it pretty good."

And, said Jan Mayes, "It sounds like a jet that never finishes going by your house."

The fourth ordinance approved was a ban on the sale of consumer fireworks, but not the use. The state Legislature last year legalized such fireworks, but left towns the option of banning them within their borders.

Hartford again took the floor, this time to explain the proposal from the Fire Department. He said the WFD does not have the resources to monitor the sale of fireworks, but firefighters accept the reality of the their use.

"They had been used all over the state when they were illegal,' said Hartford. "For us to say 'no' is basically a joke. So we say, 'yes, continue to use them, enjoy them, but we aren't interested in selling them in town.'"

He said fireworks are used regularly by people in his neighborhood.

Hartford also cautioned residents that some fireworks purchased in New Hampshire may not be legal under Maine law. The Woodstock ordinance also follows state law by prohibiting use by people under 21, and restricts use to certain hours.

Other articles

On the recommendation of selectmen, voters turned down an article requesting the town open a 1.3-mile section of the Billings Hill Road for winter maintenance. The article was requested by three year-round residents, Town Manager Vern Maxfield said. The residents themselves currently handle plowing.

But, said Selectman Steve Bies, "this is an extremely expensive article." He said the road would likely have to be rebuilt in order for a plow to operate effectively.

"There's not much room to get rid of snow," said Selectman Rick Young.

Among the large money articles approved were $113,972 for administrative expenses; $55,000 for operation of the Fire Department; $50,000 for a squad truck for the WFD; $50,000 for the Municipal Utilities Account; $160,000 for Capital Reserve (including $100,000 toward fixing the Lake Christopher dam); $124,650 for insurance (down $6,000 from last year); and $100,000 for the Transfer Station (down $12,000 from last year).

Bies said Transfer Station costs were down in part because it has been operating successfully without a manager for the past year. He said there may be other cost savings in the future, as towns in the region explore the possibility of joint purchasing of tipping and hauling services for trash.

In municipal elections, incumbents Selectman Rick Young, SAD 44 Director Sheryl Morgan and Whitman Library Trustee Stacey Millett were returned to office unopposed for three-year terms.

Board

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funds from this year, and an increase in revenue, "I don't think we're looking at a catastrophic increase to the taxpayers."

Director Deb Webster of Newry supported the offer. She speculated that if circumstances eventually led to another vote on closing AES, and the board decided to keep it open, the $68,000 might no longer be available.

"At least we're guaranteed to have some money," she said.

Some directors were concerned about the district's responsibility should an 85-year-old heating boiler at AES need replacement. A recent evaluation indicated it could fail at any time, and the replacement cost could be as high as $200,000.

"If we keep the school open and it goes, it's our responsibility," said Arizzi.

She asked about tabling the issue until the next meeting.

"The vote will happen tonight," said Pew.

Bethel Director Carol Everett said she shared Arizzi's concerns.

When the vote was taken, Arizzi, Everett, Roberta Taylor and Kate Bodka of Bethel, and Dick Melville of Greenwood, were opposed.

Voting in favor were Webster and Bonnie Largess of Newry, Pew, Keith Smith and Tim Akers of Andover, Sheryl Morgan, Marcel Polak and Julie Davis of Woodstock, and Tammy Goodwin and Stacey Sandvoss of Greenwood.

Bethel Directors Lainey Cross and Kristen Drew were absent.

Members of the Andover Selectboard attended Tuesday's meeting. Afterward, Chair Susan Merrow said of the vote, "The support from the SAD44 board clearly shows that people are beginning to realize that a healthy Andover is important for the entire region, and Andover Elementary is critical to that equation. The children, families and entire community thank the board for their effort in this process."

In other business at Tuesday's meeting, Murphy announced the retirement of longtime Woodstock Elementary School secretary Queda Billings and of AES Title I teacher Linda Percival.

The Way I See It

by Sharon Bouchard

We've set the clocks back, lost an hour's sleep, but gained an hour's daylight. I love the extra daylight. We've welcomed the arrival of spring and spring is certainly a welcomed season. Things are looking up... maybe.

Throughout January and February I have been saying, "Watch out for March!" Every time someone would comment on what a mild winter it's been I would say, "Watch out for March!" When people mentioned that we really haven't had that much snow once we got past the beginning of the year I tell them to "Watch out for March!"

Don't' get me wrong; I'm not anti-March or anything like that. It is after all the month that hails the beginning of spring and gets us that much closer to warm days and green grass. But, it's also a month that can turn nasty on us and has a track record of doing just that.

Some of the worst snowstorms to hit Maine have been in the month of March. A few years ago we suffered three snowstorms dropping a foot or more snow during a 10- day period in March and that wasn't the end of it for the month either. I think that was the year snowmobilers were still on the trails in April.

And how about those March winds? They can be absolutely brutal.

Plus, let us not forget that March has no significant national holidays that give us a day off from work. Sure, there is St. Patrick's Day and it's a great celebration for the Irish, but it is not on the list of paid holidays where I work.

"Watch out for March!"

March 22nd is a day that definitely should be a paid holiday, but fails to get any attention at all and that's National Goof Off Day. Though I will probably goof off my fair share on that day, I'll be doing it at work and won't be able to truly goof off as much as I'd like to. Don't mention that to my boss please.

Anyway, I was discussing how we need to "Watch out for March!" because it can be pretty unpredictable with the weather. It can be cold and it can definitely be snowy and, like I said, those March winds can be really brutal.

Then along comes a March like this one. We have had some really mild temperatures and the precipitation has been in the form of rain. We have had wind, but that's to be expected. What little snow we've had is rapidly melting, which is good because it's so filthy dirty I can't stand to look at it.

With the temperatures climbing up into the 50's I just want to get out and do spring clean-up even though this is not my favorite chore. The warm days just make me feel like that would be a good idea. I want to work in my flower gardens and coax the early bloomers to start doing their thing.

I want to rake the dead brown grass in hopes of encouraging green growth.

Then I remind myself that it is March and March just can't be trusted. The 50+/- degree temperatures can drop to the teens without much warning. The spring rains can turn to sleet and snow when you least expect it. And don't forget, the March winds can be really brutal.

I truly hope I'm wrong and that we will see no more snow falling on brown grass until December. I really hope the temperatures stay mild and go up a few degrees each day and I hope the wind isn't too brutal. I sincerely hope the month continues to be as nice as it has been so far, but the way I see it you should "Watch out for March!" because it just can't be trusted.

Gilead

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to get through the year. As a result, this year there will be no article for interest on such a loan. Last year's amount was $2,500.

In town elections, three open seats will be filled. Selectman Fran Head is retiring, as is School Committee Director Becky Morin and longtime Tax Collector Bev Corriveau.

Chapman said Lise McLain plans to run for the School Committee seat. Candidates for other open seats have not been confirmed.

Former Selectman Paul Handlen said he had been approached by several people about running for selectman, and had considered it.

But he then learned that if elected, he would have to give up his current seat on the Region 9 Board of Directors, so he decided against running.

Up for re-election is Chapman as clerk and treasurer, Fred Corriveau as highway commission.

The meeting begins at 7 p.m. at the Town Hall.

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Bethel

By NANCY BROWN

Ice-out on most of our local ponds was March 23. There are still patches of snow and ice in the woods. I'm still hoping for that one final big snowstorm before I hang up my snowshoes for good. As we know it is not unusual to have snow in April, or even May. Last year a major snowstorm shut down schools and some businesses on April Fool's Day.

In the next month, wildflowers will explode along the roadways and in pastures and the woods. When I was a student at Crescent Park School in the 1960s, fifth-grade teacher Ruth Hastings used to challenge her students to find as many wildflowers as they could in the spring. In those days, we picked the flowers, pressed them between sheets of waxed paper, and mounted them into a book. I still go out each spring looking for the first wildflower blossoms, but I no longer pick the flowers. I record each wildflower that I find and take a picture of it. Last week I reported that I had found budded Mayflowers. They still have not blossomed, but on Sunday I found dozens of flowering skunk cabbages in the bog next to our house. The bright red blossoms are a sharp contrast to the snow and ice that still covers sections of the bog. Some of the best places to find early wildflowers are alongside snowmobile and hiking trails, roadsides, and abandoned gravel pits and mill yards. These are my tips about the best places to find wildflowers in our area: Martin's Road, which stretches between the Sunday River Road and Route 2; the trails behind Telstar; and Maggie's Nature Park in Greenwood. Start looking for flowers in these areas around the first of April.

If you grew up in Maine, you probably know who Donn Fendler is. In 1939, twelve-year old Fendler was lost on Mt. Katahdin for nine days before walking into a hunting camp 35 miles from where he walked off a trail. For many years his book, "Lost on a Mountain in Maine" was required reading in Maine schools. Last year, Fendler, along with writer Lynn Plourde and illustrator Ben Bishop, published a graphic novel about Fendler's experience on Mt. Katahdin. The book is called "Lost Trail: Nine Days Alone in the Wilderness." Fendler continues to give talks about his survival experience. Tonight, MPBN, is showing the documentary "Finding Donn Fendler: Lost on a Mountain in Maine 72 Years Later." The film stars Fendler and includes rarely seen film footage of Fendler from 1939. The 60-minute film airs at 10 p.m. on Channel 10.

If you have news you'd like to share, please call me at 824-2483 or e-mail nancybrown1150@yahoo.com.

OCSD Bethel Patrol Log

Tuesday, March 20

At 5:20 p.m. Deputies Matt Noyes, Willie Nelson and Mike Halacy responded to a residence for a reported domestic incident. On arrival it was found that the incident was a juvenile argument that got out of hand over a TV show.

Wednesday, March 21

At 12:30 p.m. Cpl. Brian Landis responded to First Street to talk to a landlord regarding a tenant moving out, with evidence of marijuana use.

At 4 p.m. a caller on the Intervale Road asked to speak to a deputy about hearing automatic gun fire near his residence. Sgt. Matt Baker was assigned.

Thursday, March 22

At 4:19 p.m. a caller asked to speak to an officer regarding having a tail light smashed on a vehicle March 10. The complainant said he knew the person who did it, but that subject would not pay. Deputy George Cayer was assigned.

Friday, March 23

At 10 a.m., 10:15 a.m. and 10:49 Capt. Hart Daley followed up on an investigation on a background check.

At 10:52 a.m. Lt. Tom Harriman, Sgt. Tim Ontengco and Deputy Mike Halacy responded to Vernon Street for a report of a missing person.

At 11:05 a.m., 11:24 a.m., 11:35 a.m. Capt. Hart Daley followed up on an investigation of a background check.

At 11:35 p.m. on Route 2 Sean McDonough, 30, of Harrison was arrested for violations of conditions of release.

Saturday, March 24

At 11:52 a.m. Cpl. Justin Brown arrested Heather Rae McAlister, 22, of Bethel on a court warrant.

At 5:53 p.m. a caller on the East Bethel Road reported being harassed.

At 10:15 p.m. a report was received that two vehicles had been vandalized on Church Street, with damage to windshields. Deputy Dan Carrier was assigned.

Sunday, March 25

At 12:58 p.m. a caller reported a possibly intoxicated driver on Route 26. Deputy Dan Carrier located the driver, who was not under the influence.

At 1:21 a.m. a caller reported a broken windshield on High Street. Deputy Dan Carrier was assigned.

At 5:35 p.m. Deputy Willie Nelson received a report of damage to a windshield on Summer Street.

Monday, March 26

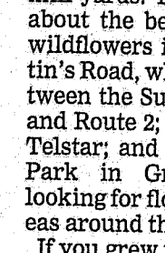
At 2:36 p.m. Deputy Josh Wyman responded to Broad Street for a report that products had been stolen at an expo.

At 2:38 p.m. Deputy Josh Wyman responded to the Walkers Mills Road for a report of a subject operating a vehicle without a license.

At 3:33 p.m. a caller reported that a subject at a business on Cross Street had damage to her car from hitting a tree and wires that had fallen into the road. Cpl. Brian Landis responded.

East Bethel

By WALLY RITZ



What a difference in the weather from last week to now. I find it amazing how fast our bodies adjust to the warmth and now the normal temperature feels much colder than it is. Sadly I do not have much for news this week other than one neighbor telling that her rhubarb started sprouting already.

In order to keep on with the regular schedule of the Trivia question and the answer, here is the answer already this week. I bought my house from Bruce and Isabel Boyce in 1986. At the time of the writing of the East Bethel Book in 1958 Bruce was employed in Connecticut and Isabel had a diploma from the Winthrop, Mass., School of Registered Nursing Attendants. They had four children: Michael Bruce, Sharon Ann, Muriel Rose and Kimball Lee.

Hopefully I have more to write next week again. So,don't be shy and call me at 824-3220 or e-mail han@megalink.net. In the meantime stay warm and let's hope for some warmer weather again.

Have a great week.

Bethel Attorney Jarrod C. Crockett (right) with his sponsor, U.S. Attorney Thomas E. Delahanty II at Attorney Crockett's admission to federal court in the District of Maine recently. Crockett is one of several attorneys in the law firm of Hanley & Associates who is a member of the federal bar.

Gilead

By LIN CHAPMAN

Well, as we all knew, the good weather was too good to be true. The temperatures were a little more seasonable this past weekend. The rain was a welcome sight, since weather reports stated that fire danger was a little high. Hard to believe this time of year. At least, Hugh and I got a chance to sit out in the swing for a couple of times and enjoy our coffee before the weather changed.

My brother, Steve McLain, was out delivering Gilead Town Reports this past Saturday. He went on his end of the town which included the Bog Road. Jeremy Morin delivered in town and the North Road.

Lise McLain is enjoying her Western Mountains Senior College course on Women in the Civil War. The class meets for four weeks at Telstar and is being taught by Jean Waite, Director of Adult and Continuing Education.

Jeff Hutchins stopped by the house last week. He said that a Bluebird has returned to the bluebird house that he put up. He has had them nest there for the past few years.

The moose are out and about. The Gilead Fire Department got called out last week to a car/moose accident down by Bog Brook. The next morning I saw a large moose crossing the road just on the Gilead side of the red antique house.

Town Office

Remember that the Annual Town Meeting will be held on Saturday, March 31, at 7 p.m. at the Town Hall. Any resident of Gilead who has not registered to vote should arrive shortly after 6:30 p.m. Proof of residency for Gilead must be provided.

The warrant for the meeting was posted on Friday, March 23, at the Town Office and Town Hall. Another copy was posted on Saturday, March 24, at the Transfer Station. The law states that the warrant needs to be posted one week ahead of the meeting and the reports need to be available at least three days before the meeting.

Got any news? Call 836-2987 or e-mail chapmal@hotmail.com

Andover

By JANE RICH

There was a brisk business at the Town Hall last Tuesday for the election of local officers. Judy Tabb won the Selectman seat by a mere seven votes, which tells you that casting your ballot in every election is very important. Mark Shraiberg is the new School Director. Rob Dixon remained Fire Chief and Marshall Meisner continues as Road Commissioner and the Town Clerk will still be Melinda Averill. There were a smattering of write-in votes in three categories, but many were incomplete. The person's name and town must appear and the box must be checked. The town decided to support efforts to save our school by casting 210 yes votes to authorize the selectmen to negotiate with SAD 44 for a cost of $68,000 to keep the school open for the 2012-13 year.

Taxpayers are reminded that April 1 is the deadline to apply for homestead, veteran's, veteran's widow or blind exemptions in order for them to be applied to 2012 taxes. April 1 used to be referred to as doomsday because that was the last day to report property ownership changes.

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The Commission invites public input and accepts signed, written comments on pending applications. Comments must relate to how the Mahoosuc Land Trust complies with national quality standards. These standards address the ethical and technical operation of a land trust. For the full list of standards see www.landtrustaccreditation.org/getting-accredited/indicator-practices.

To learn more about the accreditation program and to submit a comment, visit www.landtrustaccreditation.org. Comments may also be faxed or mailed to the Land Trust Accreditation Commission, Attn: Public Comments: (fax) 518 587-3138; (mail) 112 Spring Street, Suite 204, Saratoga Springs, NY 12866. Comments on Mahoosuc Land Trust's application will be most useful by Monday, May 21, 2012.

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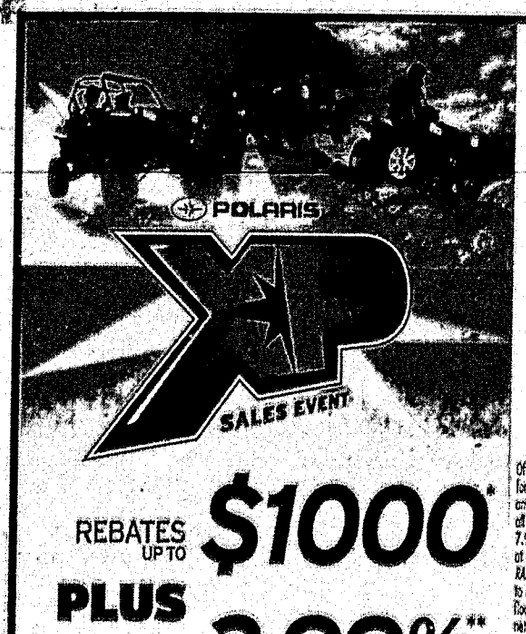

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The Sno-Valley Sno-Goers will hold their annual meeting on April 7 with a potluck supper. Officers will be elected. The Hut is closed for the season due to lack of snow.

Congratulations to the Town Hall Renovation Committee that has done an excellent job of repairing, painting, hanging new curtains and otherwise improving this old building which has seen much of the history of the town pass through it in town meetings, wedding receptions, plays and even at one point basketball games. If those walls could talk, we would be very entertained.

Sunday will be Palm Sunday and there will be a full slate of services at both churches. The First Congregational Church service on Palm Sunday will be at 10 a.m. Maundy Thursday observance of the Last Supper with Communion will be April 5 at 5:30 p.m. in the church dining room. The Good Friday Service will be at 7 p.m. with the Stations of the Cross and special music by the choir. Easter Sunday will find some of the members up bright and early preparing the breakfast of pancakes and sausages along with real maple syrup which will be served following the 6:30 a.m. Sunrise Service. The 10 a.m. service will feature a Cantata by the choir and baptisms as was the custom in the early church. For service times at Calvary Bible Church, call Pastor Ken Wagstaff at 392-1121

The annual Easter Egg Hunt will be at 9 a.m. on Saturday, April 7, beginning at Mills Market.

Mason

By RICHARD GROVER

Mona and I returned from Mazatlan, Mexico last Thursday after spending eight days with niece Lee and husband Paul Pippenger at their beachfront condo there. Lee is a former Mason Township Grover who made good in the "outside world." We enjoyed lots of walks in the sun and sand of the beach there and the hospitality of both the Pippengers and their Mexican friends. We also enjoyed browsing some of the flea markets and tourist traps in and around Mazatlan, where you can find everything from food items to furniture, clothing and every type of do-dad you can imagine.

I learned the "proper way" of sniffing and sampling tequila (straight) at a centuries-old tequila farm/factory. I even tried samples of calamari (squid) and octopus at a party hosted by some of Lee and Paul's friends. It was palatable, but not a favorite for me. I declined sampling the roasted grasshoppers and other unidentified insects displayed at some of the flea markets. Mona developed a taste for a specialty drink there called "Miami Vice," a blend of frozen strawberry daiquiri and pina colada: very colorful and tasty!

I went fishing in an open fishing boat with one of Paul's friends who had loaned money to a local commercial fisherman to purchase four boats.

FILMING AT MERRILL HOUSE-The 16 members of the Arndt family of Belleville, Ill. recently spent a week at the Merrill House in Andover filming for a fictional TV series. Parents Rick and Cathy Arndt have 13 sons and one daughter. The family has been a part of various projects, including a show on the TLC channel a few years ago. They now head up the production and filming of a documentary /reality TV series titled "FamTeam" that follows the family. The series currently has more than 40 episodes, and airs Monday through Friday nationally on the NRB Network on DirecTV. "The primary reason for our trip to Maine and for our stay at the Merrill House is for filming for a new TV series titled "Vine Valley," said Paul Arndt. "'Vine Valley' is a fictional TV series that is being filmed by and stars many members of the family. The series is set in the Finger Lakes region of New York. It has not yet been decided where the series will be airing, since we are still in the earlier stages of filming, but we picked Andover as a location to film because of the rustic feel with all of the pines and untouched scenic areas. It also helped to have access to so many snowy areas." They also picked the area because of the Merrill House itself, "and because of the astounding location it provided for our filming. It's amazing to think the home was built in 1789," said Paul. Here Rick (left) looks on as son Jude films his sister, Mary Elizabeth. The scene is a flashback. "The series is set in current times, but one of the characters in the movie is researching an old Civil War-era diary, and the girl in the dress is the girl who wrote this diary," said Paul. For more on the family, visit www.famteam.com. To view episodes of the TV series, visit www.youtube.com/famteamtv. For more on the Merrill House, go to www.merrillhouse.com/home.html. *(Submitted photo)*

Mark not only earned a good return on his money, but also guided fishing expeditions at bargain basement prices. We traveled probably 10 or 15 miles northward just a couple miles off the coast. Once away from the developments and condos of Mazatlan, the coast was virtually unoccupied stretches of beautiful beaches punctuated by rocky promontories with crashing surf. We caught a number of tasty white snapper and ocean perch, but no really large fish. One fellow caught an eel, released alive.

One early morning, Mona and I even found three tiny newly hatched sea turtle babies as we walked the beach. These I carefully picked up and tossed into the waves before hungry sea gulls could find them. We met a couple other couples who described similar experiences. This was the only day we saw turtles even though we were constantly looking for them after that. One day I encountered the "Aflac duck" on the beach. It was a white Peking duck strolling, apparently alone, along the high-water line. As I passed, I said "Aflac!" in my best imitation of the commercial. The duck, apparently a female, responded, "Quack quack!" On my return, I met a woman in a swimsuit carrying the duck under her arm.

The vacation resort condo next door to the Pippengers hosted daily bingo games which Paul attended when not busy elsewhere. Mona accompanied him a few times, winning a few hundred pesos. Paul has his own set of bingo cards which the attendants store someplace; he seems to win regularly, but he tips the attendants generously every time he wins, so he doesn't bring home much money. On our departure flight from Mazatlan to Phoenix, we could see miles of unspoiled beaches along the Pacific coast, seemingly stretching along the entire northwest coast of Mexico to California. I wonder how long it will be before American developers spoil them all.

In other news, minister John Williams at the West Bethel Union Church, has been teaching the children about the Ten Commandments during the children's moment on Sundays. Last Sunday the subjects were the commandments "Thou shall not commit adultery" and "Thou shall not kill."

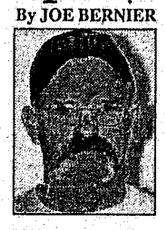
The first of these, John deftly asserted that we should all respect our spouse and to not do anything to hurt them.

For the second one, John asked why we should not kill.

Fran Head's grandson Wyatt piped up, "So you wont get arrested!"

Upton

By JOE BERNIER



The Upton Ladies Aid Association will continue to serve breakfast Sunday mornings until Mother's Day, May 13. Easter Sunday, April 8, there will be a sunrise service outside the Upton House. After the service, breakfast will be available in the Ladies Aid Building. As is traditional, this breakfast will be free to the public. The Ladies have chosen a "log cabin quilt" for this year's quilt pattern.

The Upton Historical Society met Sunday, March 25. They chose May 5 as clean-up day at Forest Lodge .(If you are interested in helping with the cleanup please call Charlotte 533-2061.) A photo was selected for the print on the back of this year's tee shirt, and some other photos were discussed and chosen to have on a calendar that the society will offer for sale during Fun Day this year.

The Planning Board will have their monthly meeting Friday, March 30 in the town office. They will begin their workshop at 6 p.m. and will start reviewing building applications at 7.

The Board of Selectmen will have their next meeting Tuesday, April 10, 7 p.m. in

SPRING LAWN & GARDEN

Restoring your property after a long winter

One of the best things about the dawn of spring and the return of warmer weather is the chance to get out of the house and get some fresh air. For homeowners, this is the perfect opportunity to assess any damage the previous months did to yards and develop a plan to restore properties.

DON'T JUMP THE GUN. The first warm day of spring might seem like a great time get out in the yard and get your hands dirty. But it's best to wait until the grass has completely dried out before getting to work. Raking on wet grass increases the risk of tearing out grass, which can cause bald spots and the growth of weeds down the road. In addition, stepping on the grass while the ground is still wet can compact the soil, which can slow drainage and block the lawn's roots from breathing.

Patience should prevail with regard to mowing the lawn as well. A lawn's roots will not start to grow until the average everyday temperature routinely reaches 40 F, so mowing too early is both unnecessary and potentially harmful to the lawn. When the temperatures regularly reach 50 F, then homeowners will likely start to see their lawns growing.

REMOVE DEBRIS THAT'S PILED UP. Debris has a tendency to infest a yard over the course of the winter months. Fallen branches, stones and even trash can accumulate in a yard, putting those who spend time in the yard at risk of injury once the warm weather returns. For instance, bits of twigs and pebbles that are blown across the yard during a windy winter can be embedded in the yard, making the yard less of a haven and more of a hazard.

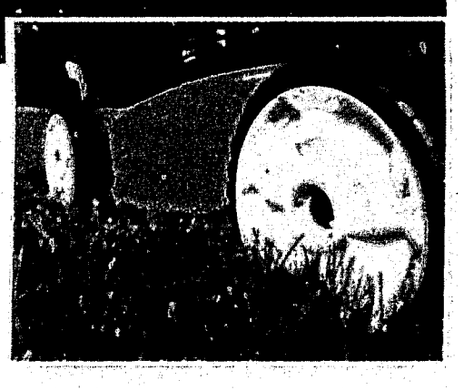
Once the grass is dry enough to walk on, walk around the property and remove any debris that's piled up over the last few months.

EMPLOY A PRE-EMERGENT WEED KILLER. Homeowners who routinely spend their summers agonizing over weeds throughout the yard should consider applying a pre-emergent weed killer around the beginning of spring. It's important to do so around the end of March or early April, when the weeds have not yet had a chance to grow. When applying, follow the dosage instructions provided by the product's manufacturer. Such instructions often recommend a second application right before summer begins.

REMOVE THATCH. Once the grass has dried, you can begin to remove thatch that's built up over the winter. Thatch is potentially very harmful to soil, blocking sunlight, air and moisture the soil needs to ensure a lawn looks lush and healthy. Thatch removal does not necessarily need to be an annual task. If thatch buildup is insignificant, then it can be done every other year. Just use a dethatching rake to make the job much easier.

AERATE, PARTICULARLY IF THE YARD IS A HEAVY TRAFFIC AREA ONCE THE WARM WEATHER ARRIVES. If your yard transforms into a child's wonderland upon the arrival of spring and summer, you might want to revive the soil by aerating. When the yard gets heavy usage, it's easy for soil to become compacted, which makes it hard for air and water to reach the lawn's roots. That can eventually make for a less-than-appealing lawn. So if your yard is the place to be come the warmer months, aerate in the spring to loosen the soil and make it easier for the lawn to withstand the months ahead.

No matter how harsh the winter months might have been, spring is a great time for homeowners to restore the property around their homes.



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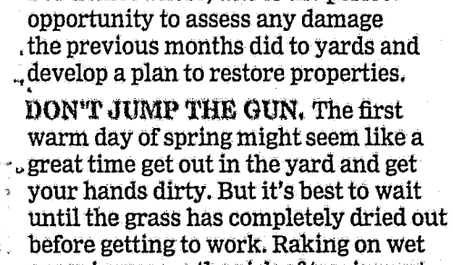

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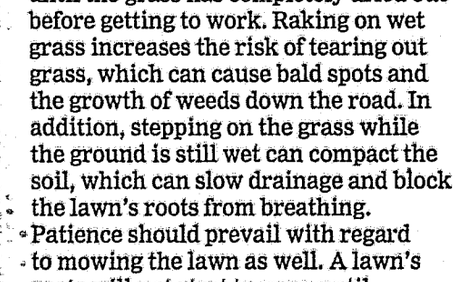

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the town office.

The mud is drying much faster than I thought it would. The rhubarb, tiger lilies, daffodils and jonquils are poking up and the lawn has some green in it. Things are looking up.

Neil, Krystal and Jes stayed with us for the weekend. Jennie drove up from Naples so she could attend the historical meeting, visited briefly, and returned home. Bob, Laurie, and Noah walked down from their house and stopped for a short while. They all left before 4. Andre and Flossie dropped in about 5. We caught up on each other's news, talked about the strange winter, and discussed past, present, and future projects (Jeeps, bulldozers dirt-work, ect.). It was a fun and busy weekend.

Please call 533-2010 or e-mail backstjoe@gmail.com with your news.

MURDER MYSTERY
The Bethel Performing Arts Project's first production of 2012 is a Murder Mystery Dinner Theater, at the Bethel Inn May 11 and 12. Rehearsals have started and the cast incudes (from left): seated, Lorrie Hoeh and Tineke Ouwinga; standing, Ross Timberlake, Elton Cole, Carole Timberlake, Jim McLean, Norman Milliard, Roberta Taylor, Rosabelle Tifft and Leigh Dickinson.

Hanover

By CLEM WORCESTER

The baked beans cooked all Friday night. You know that smell of fresh just cooked baked beans don't you? By nine o'clock on Saturday morning you better get to Gardner Roberts Memorial Library to make sure you get some because the library is open until noon and sometimes they run our of beans. By the middle of the week you have worked up an appetite for a treat. That is bakery day at Gardner Roberts Memorial Library and it does not cost much to fix that mid-week craving. Bring your laptop and you can connect right onto the Internet using wi-fi at the library. Know something else? You can read books at the library also. Gardner Roberts Memorial Library, the biggest success story of the area.

The Hanover Select Board had their monthly meeting on March 20. Several citizens attended to comment on various items of interest. One citizen complained about the maintenance of the South Shore Road. He was asked to attend next month's meeting when all the Board members could attend. Lynne Ramsey attended the meeting on behalf of the Library Bees to discuss the plans for the Joan Tucker Memorial Flower Garden to be built in front of the Town Office. Hanover allocated $100 toward the project and several other donations have been received for the garden. Joan Tucker lived in the apartment at the Town Office and she always took care of the flowers around the building. Peg Susbury spoke to the Board about a request from RSU 10 for a brief history of Hanover to be used in seeking a grant. The Board took it under advisement.

Last Saturday a South Shore Road resident stopped by to say a portion of the road had collapsed. The area was secured and DA Wilson & Co. worked on repairs. That problem is quite common this time of year while the frost is leaving the ground.

Late birthday greetings go to Brian Worcester whose birthday was March 24. He celebrated by taking his family to Cabelas and the children enjoyed going to Chuck E. Cheese's.

"An Evening in Tuscany" will be enjoyed Saturday, April 7. The theme dinner will be at Region 9 School of Applied Technology Cafeteria in Mexico at 6 p.m. with a social time at 5:30 p.m. The cost is $10 per plate. This community event is coordinated by the Outlanders, dedicated to kick off National Grange Month and will feature Tina Hicks as the culinary guide. The High School Interact Club will provide the serving. Proceeds will be donated to Rumford Grange 115. Call to reserve seats or for more information from Roz Hodge, Student Service Coordinator, University College, 364-7882 or Corrine Downs, Transition Coordinator, Region 9 School of Applied Technology Adult Education, 364-2012 Extension 116.

Albany

By CATHY BENNETT

Hello, everyone: I am back with some news this week. Everyone is very bashful or doesn't want to share what they are up to. Come on now I am sure you are doing something newsworthy!

If you don't feel like cooking Saturday night, March 31, head on over to the American Legion Post 68 in Locke Mills for a benefit supper for the Greenwood/Woodstock fire departments' First Responder Program. The menu includes chili, beans, casseroles, meatballs, salads, pies, cakes, cookies, bars and coffee, punch and great socialization. The supper goes from 5 to 6:30; the cost is $8 for adults and $4 for children under 12. Sounds like a good way to visit friends and neighbors that you haven't seen all winter.

We enjoyed a taste of summer this past week, but it certainly seems more like March today.

Margaret and Franklin Barton visited Yvette and Roger Barton in Brownfield on Friday.

Friday, Christine Cole took me to Auburn for a visit with my orthopedic surgeon to make plans for my upcoming back surgery. We had lunch and came home to enjoy the rest of the beautiful day.

Stopped in to tell Doug and Jen what I found out at the doctor's and found Jen planting peas! Kim and Pat Carson had stopped in for a visit with them and the kids were having a great time playing in the yard.

Margaret Barton stopped in to visit me on her way home from church. Sure is great to see her doing so well!

Back to school tomorrow, and I have decided to use a cane which makes it much easier to get around.

Have a grand week and try to stay warm as the temps are going to drop!

Locke's Mills

By BETSEY FOSTER

The Greenwood Selectmen will not send a proposed noise ordinance to voters at town meeting. Last week the Selectmen decided the proposed ordinance was too vague. No further no action will be taken unless a petition is brought forth. The proposal was presented by Henry and Pat Stewart in response to early morning noise from logging operations.

The stump dump will open on April 1. When the weather is suitable, Dale will unofficially open the "free store/swap shop" at the Greenwood Woodstock Recycling Center. It will officially open sometime in May.

Last week's heat wave can't go unremarked. With a high here of 85 degrees, Gilbert Dunham said he has never seen anything like it. "If you live long enough, you'll see just about everything." was how he summed it up. So, do you think we'll see snow again this spring?

The sun and temps opened all the ponds last weekend. That open water means we are seeing waterfowl again. Jane Chandler on North Pond saw wood ducks and common mergansers.

These mergansers look like small loons with orange bills. Easy to mistake for a loon. On Round Pond, there is a pair of Canada geese as well as the mergansers.

Late last week I saw three bald eagles within 15 minutes. An adult and an immature eagle were sitting on a small ice flow on South Pond probably looking for fish.

A couple miles farther down the Greenwood Road there was another single eagle doing the same thing on Hicks Pond.

And the bluebirds are back at Suzanne and Brian Dunham's farm off Rowe Hill Road. That is quite unusual, but it fits in with everything else this spring is giving us.

On a less pleasant note, the ticks are back. I've already picked two off my dog. Time to take whatever precautions you use to protect your animals. Worth noting that the Bethel Animal Hospital has a special on Frontline for ticks and fleas: buy three and get one free.

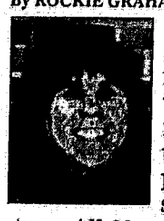
Property taxes due April 1 and interest will begin at the end of the month.

Today (Thursday) the free public presentation "Eating for Healthy Aging" by Pat Watson, Registered Dietitian at Stephens Memorial Hospital, takes place from 4:30 to 6 p.m. at the West Parish Congregational Church, Bethel. It is sponsored by Western Mountains Senior College. All are welcome.

You can send me news at 3taichi6@gmail.com

Waterford

By ROCKIE GRAHAM



What a change a week can make; from 80 to 30. BRRR! But it is March after all. Still I'd prefer a more steady temperature. All 30 or even 50; 80 was a bit too much in March. For now, I will take what comes my way, even the pouring rain we had last Sunday.

Listening to updates on the whereabouts of Fay Johnson. Fay was a co-worker for awhile at the Bethel transfer station. Sad to think she's in some kind of trouble, i.e. might be hurt or something. We're all thinking about you Fay.

On Thursday, the 29th ACA (Adult Children of Alcoholics) will meet at the Waterford Library from 10 to 11 a.m. This is a discussion group. We are currently discussing the steps and are on Step 10. FMI please call 739-9115.

On Thursday, the 29th from 4:30 to 6 p.m. "Eating for Healthy Aging" will be presented by Pat Wilson, registered dietitian, at the West Parish Congregational Church on Church Street in Bethel. FMI call 824-2053.

I fear the snow and skiing will be gone soon. We already have none in the yard except where it was plowed to clear the driveway. Already slopes show mud alongside snow-free areas. That is OK with me, but I know it hurts the ski areas and the groups who have planned events happening. Next year.

Passover will soon be upon us. The first Seder night is Friday, April 6. Hope we can make it up the hill. May even be able to walk it this year. We shall see.

April 1 is only 4 days away. Beware! It is also Palm Sunday. Nice sign of spring.

That is all for this week. Have a great week and stay warm.

Greenwood City

By MINDY SWEETSER

Whether the weather be hot, or whether the weather be cold, what ever the weather, we will weather the weather, whether we like it or NOT! That was my oldest son's favorite saying for many of years. And it is so true! According to the calendar April Fools has not arrived yet; however I think Mother Nature is ahead of time and playing April fools pranks on us!

Yesterday week we were sun bathing sweltering just standing still waiting in line for an ice cream! And yet one week later we have broken out the winner apparel once again! But I think we all anticipated the colder weather would eventfully return at some point and it was just too good to be true. So all our hard work cleaning up around the house and barn looked good for a short while and then the winds blew and brought leaves from far and wide to cover up what was once naked of debris and anything that was placed in a secure place but not strapped down is now strewed all over the lawn blowing and flapping in the angry winds.

So we beat a ton of records last week in results the ice was out early and the frogs started peeping in Hicks Pond about March 22. But as of now the brooks have a glassy layer of thin ice cover the top and the mud is frozen still for the moment. The meteorologists speak of a snowstorm approaching which will be on top of us comes time for you to read this.

So we must live our lives in each season as it passes; breathe the air from each new day; take what has been given to us and make the best out of what we have.

Let's take a walk back to my past week. We had a grand time getting a head start on summer activities. We played a couple of great games of family kick ball. We went for a lot of walks and we got a great start on remodeling the house. We celebrated my grandmother's birthday and we picked up my daughter's horse wagon in Augusta on Sunday.

We went out to eat and spent a lot of time at Lowes buying lumber. I took the kids out smelting one night without any success. My grandfather had a really good week at the farm; he has two new animals to add to his animal family, and the cream production is at its highest peek. The kids have a curriculum fair at school this week to show off their creative projects, which I look forward to attending, and the Woodstock- Greenwood ball sign-ups are Thursday, March 29, from 6-7:30 and Saturday, March 31, from 10-12 at the Whitman Memorial Library. And these are the only sign-up dates. It cost $15 per child good thing I didn't have a whole baseball team I would be broke!

My kids and I have been rehearsing getting ready for the spring talent show which will be held at the Woodstock School in April. My kids rocked the house last year; let's see if the talent is still there a year later.

My anniversary is coming right up so I would like to wish my loving husband a wonderful day on April 2. I love you more than my actions show!

My thought for the week is: Don't waste your life in doubts and fears; spend your-

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self on love and work set before you, it is not the work that kills man, it is worry, work is healthy, you can hardly put too much of a work load on a man than he can bear, but worry is rust upon the blade that deteriorates and destroys the machinery, Destiny is not a matter of chance, but a matter of choice, you can worry about what could be, or live for what is, life is not anything to be waited for, it is a thing to be achieved and with doing so Love will follow.

Bryant Pond

By ALICE HOYT

Judith Grover tent 17 met Monday, March 19, at the home of Alice Hoyt with eight members present. President Vicky Myers read about three forts and how 151 years ago on this date Fort Lancaster surrendered. The other forts were Inge and Clark. Correspondence read from Susan Kettinger and LC1 Will Seames, USMC, thanking us for the Christmas box we sent at Christmas. The Senior Citizen dinner was discussed. We will check to see how many flags we need and order them. Decided not to have a sale at this time, maybe later in the summer. Twenty-four calls were reported. Bessie House got the mystery package. Next meeting is April 9 at the Grange Hall. Sally visited the school to get the Essays started for Memorial Day.

The Woodstock-Greenwood Senior Citizens will meet on April 5 at the Fire Station. The meeting starts at 11:30 a.m. followed by a ham dinner by the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War. New members always welcome.

There will be a Public Supper at the American Legion Hall in Locke Mills on Saturday, March 31, for the First Responders from Woodstock and Greenwood fire departments. Time: 5 to 6:30 p.m. Cost: adults $8 and $4 for children. The money goes for training for the First Responders.

Franklin Grange 124 will meet on Monday evening, April 2, at 7 p.m. at the Grange Hall. Last meeting was canceled because of sickness.

Services at the Baptist Church are Sunday school at 9:15 a.m., morning service at 10:30, evening service at 6. Wednesday evening at 6:30 is prayer meeting. April 8 is Easter Sunday with Son-Rise Service at 7:30 a.m. followed by breakfast in the Fellowship Hall and regular services. There will be Revival Services April 22 to 25. Make plans to attend.

On Sunday, March 18, Ken and Alice Hoyt were guests of her sister, Leatrice Chase and family for a boiled dinner. It was very good.

At the Senior Citizens meeting in April there will be a bag auction.

So. Woodstock

By LOLALEE DILLINGHAM

10 a.m. Thursday, March 22.

What a gorgeous day for March . 2012 - 56 degrees here with bright sun and pretty blue skies.

Awesome weather for this time of year the weatherman says up in the low 80s before the day is over. This will truly be a year to remember with all the warm and above-average temps.

The Greenwood and Woodstock Fire Departments will be having a Public Supper at the Legion Hall (Gore Road), Locke Mills, on Saturday, March 31, from 5 to 6:30 p.m. They will be serving up baked beans, assorted casseroles, macaroni and cheese, meatballs, salads, rolls, homemade pies and sweets with coffee and punch.

This benefit is to help defray the expenses for those who are taking the First Responders Course. Adults meals $8 and $4 for those under the age of 12. For more information on this please contact 674-2346.

Condolences to the families of Norwood Farrington, George E. Gilman, Barbara Lawrence, and Mary Rice Keniston. Love and prayers to each family member on the loss of their loved ones.

Country Sunday show in Litchfield at the Sportsman Club Sunday, April 8 from 12 to 5 p.m. Lots of great Maine Country entertainers and performers.

Yogi and I traveled to Corinna last Tuesday to help Danny get some of his mom's things moved over to the farm so the house can be emptied for it to go on the market to sell.

We stopped by to also visit with our brother Jim and Donna and to enjoy some quality time with them before heading home.

Sorry for the short column again this week but we are gonna be out enjoying the sunshine and warm weather and getting some raking and spring yard work done.

Quote of the week: "Never chase love, affection or attention; if it isn't given freely by another, it isn't worth having."

LEGION AWARD-On Feb. 16 State Department Historian Richard Graves of the American Legion presented Post 68 Historian Norman Foster with an award for finishing second in the National Yearbook Competition held at the American Legion Headquarters in Indianapolis, Ind. Foster then presented the National Award to Jackson-Silver Post Commander Wayne Hakala. Historian Graves spoke to the group concerning the importance of recording historical contributions made by veterans of all Posts throughout the United States.The yearbooks provide each Post with physical materials which becomes a record of the past.

BPAP Murder Mystery

Rehearsals for the Bethel Performing Arts Program's first production of 2012, Murder Mystery Dinner Theater, started at the Bethel Inn this week. The play, "The Butler Did It" by Tim Kelly takes place at the Bethel Inn on Friday, May 11 and Saturday, May 12, both starting at 5:30 p.m. Doors open both nights at 5:30 p.m. with a "Welcome to Ravenswood Manor" social where diners will check in at The Gibson Room, just off the lobby. Seating will take place soon after with the show starting round 6:20 p.m. Dinner will be served after the first act of the three-act play.

The play marks the return of the Bethel Community Players. Those taking part include Tineke Ouwinga, Rosabelle Tifft, Carol Campbell, Roberta Taylor, Norman Milliard, Elton Cole, Ross and Carole Timberlake, Jim McLean, Leigh Dickinson and Lorrie Hoeh. Lynn Arizzi is directing the play assisted by Barb Dion. Ross Timberlake is the producer. Joe Arizzi does the sound effects.

Watch for more details on this Murder Mystery Dinner Theater along with antics you can expect from this delightful comedy that spoofs English mystery plays with an American flavor. Seating for the dinner theater will be limited to 80 each night. Tickets are $29 each and are on sale now at the Bethel Inn and at Timberland's Home Store on Route 2, Bethel.

For more information, contact Ross Timberlake at 824-6545 or email: ross@stimberlake.com

Bethel Senior Citizens meet

The Bethel Senior Citizens Club met at the Bethel Methodist Church March 14 for their meeting with 32 members present. President Caroline Gould conducted the meeting, led the salute to the flag, led in the singing of "My Country Tis Of Thee" and offered a prayer. A moment of silence was observed for member Mary Keniston who passed away March 11.

Reports were given by Musa Brown and Arlene Lowell. The raffle was won by Becky Keen and the door prize by Mary Brown.

The next meeting will be April 11 at the Funky Red Barn. Meeting will start at 11 a.m. The menu is either fish or prime rib. Reservations must be made before April 3 by calling Fran Head at 824-2114 or Caroline Gould at 824-3226 with your choice. Price of dinner is $11.95. The speaker will be Joel Speakman.

The auction was also held at this meeting and $103.30 was raised for the club. Fran Head was the auctioneer and Becky Keen was her helper.

Fran Head also asked the members to be thinking of a trip they would to take this summer.

Happy Birthday was sung to those having birthdays in March: Alberta Angevine, Pauline Davis, Elizabeth Gilbert, Sharon Kaiser, Lise McLain and Alta Smith; a picture was also taken.

Primetime Ski Club

This will be our final submission for the 2011-12 ski season. We had expected to be continuing on into mid-April or so, however Mother Nature, the Jet Stream and maybe Global Warming all came together to minimize both cold weather and snow. Last week Portland recorded six new temperature highs in seven days. One record was beaten by 20 degrees! I feel sorry and a little scared for all the trees and plants who have been fooled into believing this "head fake."

Primetime held our End of Season Dinner last Thursday at the Phoenix with a cocktail party and a wonderful dinner. We had 62 members and guests attend on a balmy 70-degree night where the Club President quipped: "Happy 4th of July and welcome to our mid-season golf and beach party." Many Primetimers have since left by this time as the slopes have turned from slippery bright white oases, into more like imitation dalmatians with white and brown spots. The brown ones hurt.

Nevertheless, everyone in the club wishes to once again thank the Sunday River operations and management teams for a terrific ski season. Sunday River has been noticed as the "go to" mountain in the Northeast with many vacationers seen from as far away as upstate New York, Maryland, and 3 or 4 Canadian provinces. The mountain really was able to make a silk purse from our weather's sow's ear. Thank you!

Primetime will be back again in December or early January with 10 a.m. ski meetings at North Peak daily. If you'd like to follow us in the meantime, our website is www.primetimeskiclub.com. We hope to see you next season!

School Lunch - Week of April 2

SAD44 Elementary Schools Lunches

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Wednesday: Pizza choices, Caesar salad with romaine lettuce, or Sunbutter and jelly sandwich on whole wheat bread.
Thursday: Chicken and cheese on whole wheat quesadilla, salsa, green beans, or Sunbutter and jelly sandwich.
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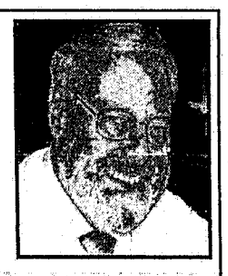
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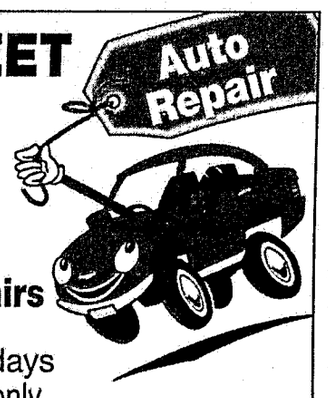
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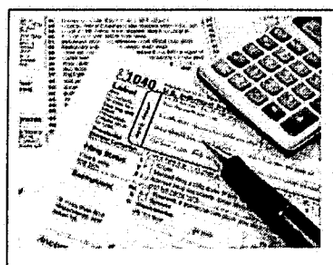
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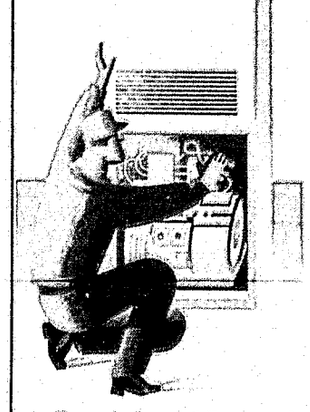
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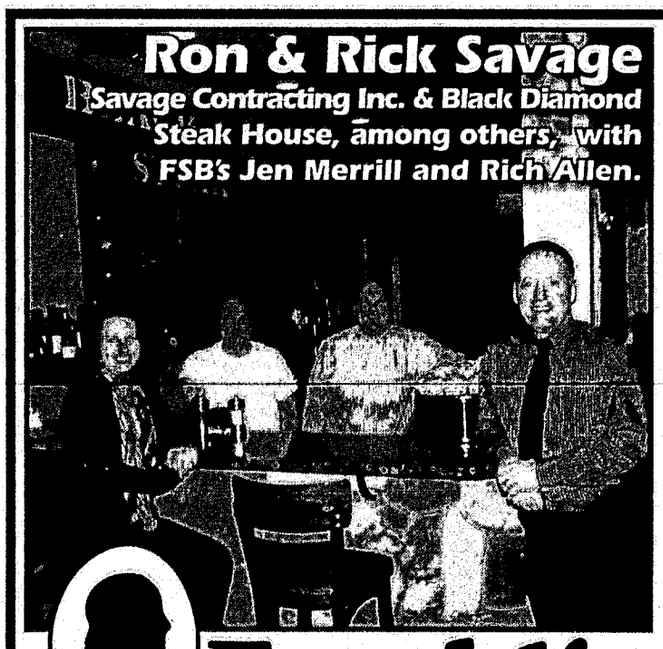
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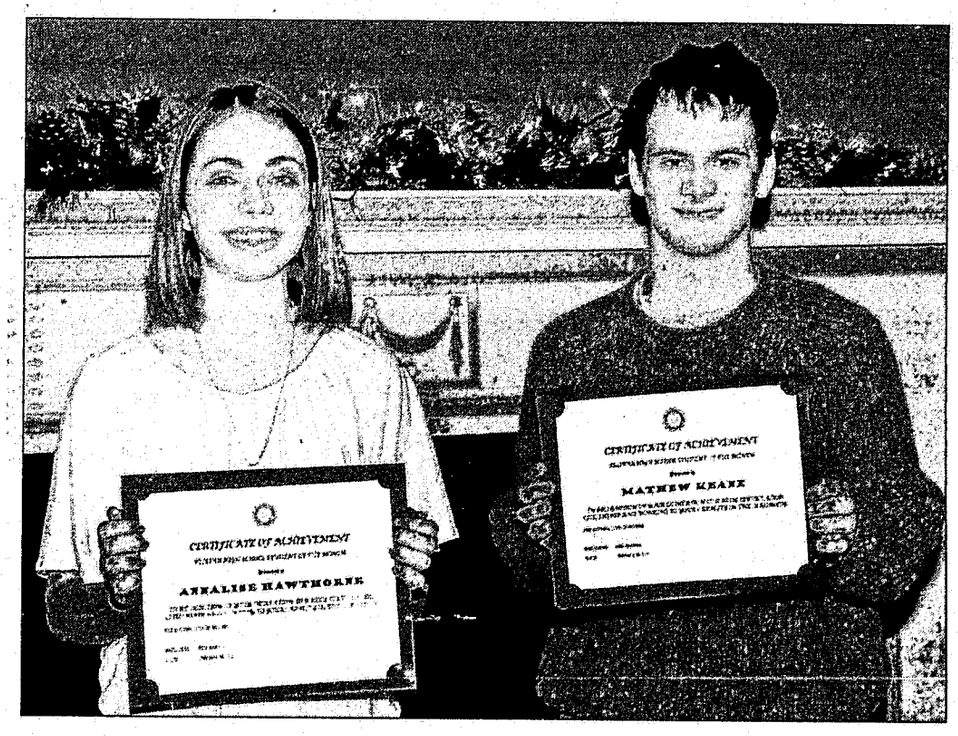
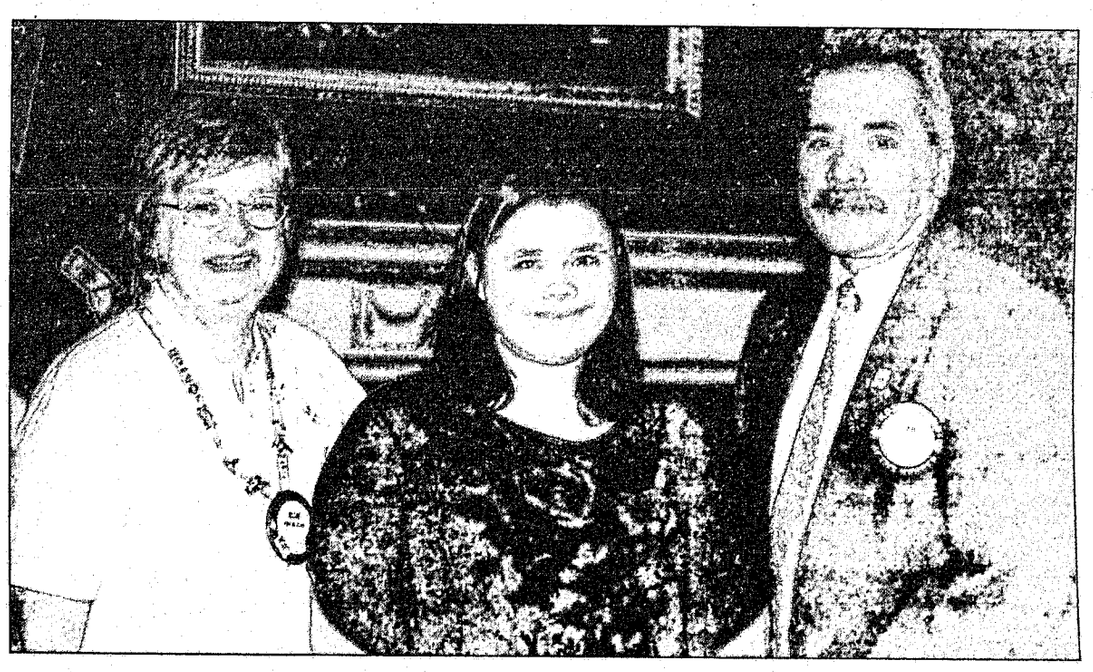
TELSTAR REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL

Three Telstar Regional High School students attended the Rotary District 7780 2012 District Assembly & Interact Conference March 24 at the University of Southern Maine. The Bethel Rotary Club hopes to re-establish its Interact Club. Rotarian and Principal Dan Hart identified Allysa Brand, Colton Davis and Maisey Griffin (shown here) as school leaders. The conference provided the students an opportunity to learn about the various Rotary Youth Programs.



THS JANUARY STUDENTS OF THE MONTH-Telstar High School's January Students of the Month were Underclassman Annalise Hawthorne and upperclassman Matthew Keane. The recognition is sponsored by the Bethel Rotary Club. The students were also honored at a recent Rotary meeting. The students are chosen by THS staff members for their community service and academic growth and achievement.



THS FEBRUARY STUDENT OF THE MONTH-Ellie Andrews, President, Bethel Rotary; Kristen Jackson, Undergraduate; Rotarian and Telstar High School Principal Dan Hart.

CRESCENT PARK ELEMENTARY

All second graders at CPS and Andover enjoyed the last day of winter under summer-like conditions at Fred Burk's Sugar House in Sunday River March 19. Judy Coolidge, volunteer, explained how the trees are tapped and how the sap gets to the holding tank. Fred Burk explained to the second graders what happened in the Sugar House. They learned how the evaporator works, how to tell when it's maple syrup, how the maple syrup is graded, and much more. Students also enjoyed in one of their rotations a snack of ice cream with maple syrup on top.

In honor of Dr. Seuss's birthday, and Read Across America Day, students in Lisa Haines's fourth grade class created posters on their favorite books.

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by Helene Hovanec

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3 Letters
ELF
GEM

4 Letters
JO-JO
MARS
MILO
PURR
RUBY

5 Letters
ANGEL
BUDDY
CANDY
GIZMO
JUMPY
MUGSY
RILEY
SHARP
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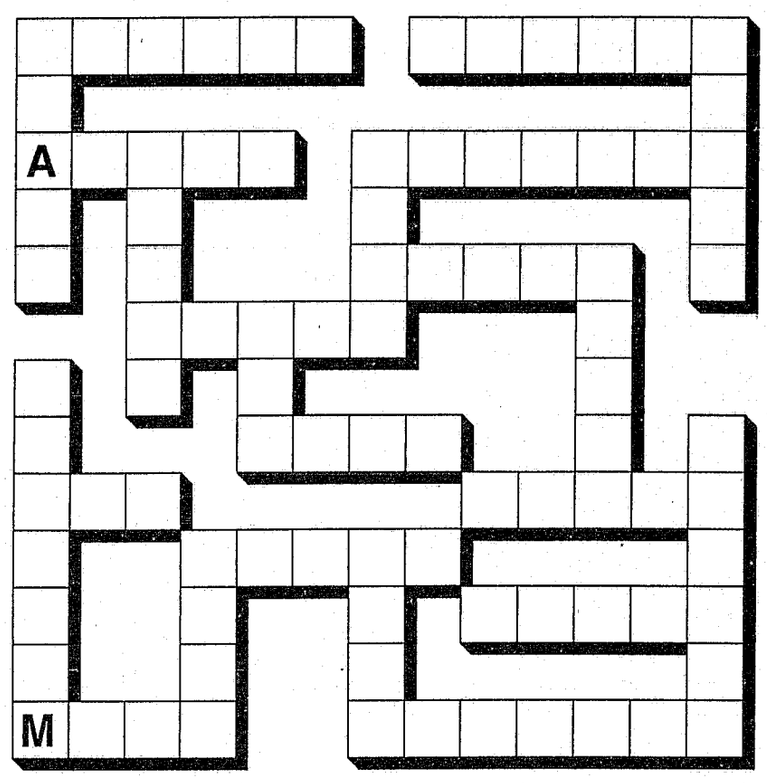
CYPRUS
MISTER
SMUDGE

7 Letters
FREEDOM
RAG DOLL
RUFFLES



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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

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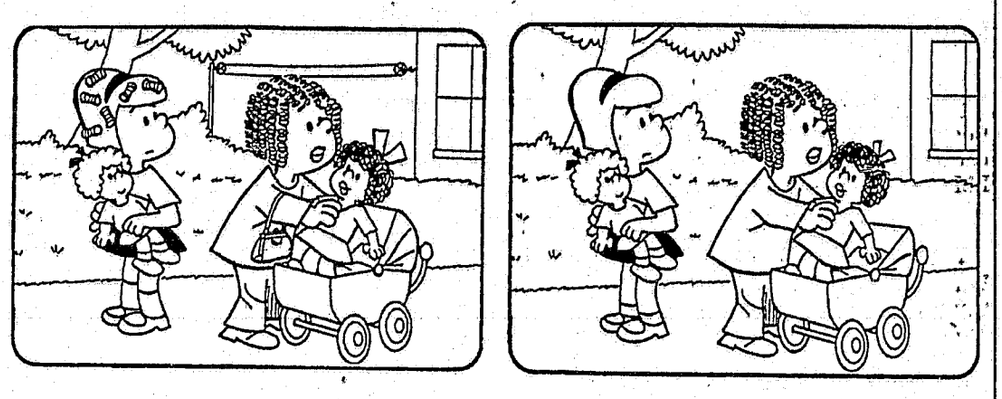

Differences:
1. Curlers are missing, 2. Socks are shorter, 3. Clothesline is missing, 4. Purse is missing, 5. Bow is smaller, 6. Carriage top is lowered.

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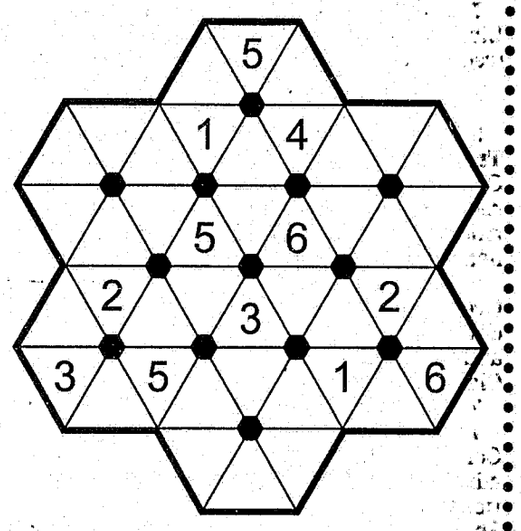
SNOWFLAKES

by Japheth Light

There are 13 black hexagons in the puzzle. Place the number 1-6 around each of them. No number can be repeated in any partial hexagon shape along the border of the puzzle.



DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆◆◆
◆ Easy ◆◆ Medium ◆◆◆ Difficult

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SCRAMBLERS

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

Gather
POGUR

Annoy
SHARAS

Tempt
CENTIE

Salve
BLAM

TODAY'S WORD

"Are you really going to visit your _____ or are you just saying that to make my day?"

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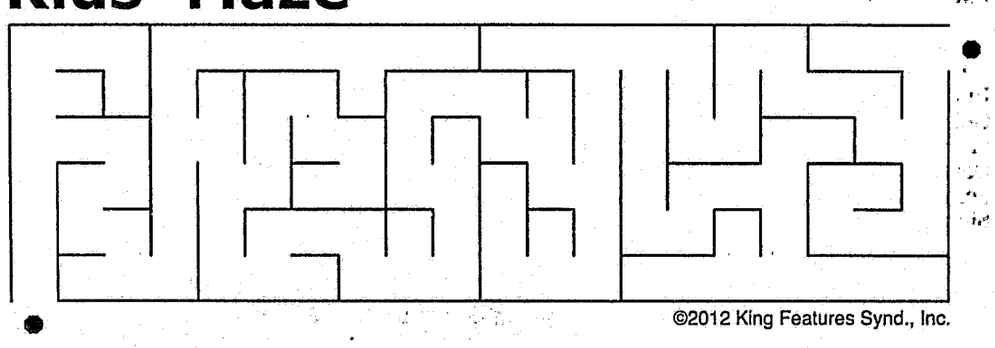
Kids' Maze



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Super Crossword

ART WORK

ACROSS
1 Mushroom part
4 Demonic
8 Vatican-related
13 Heiss on the ice
18 Hasten
19 Pianist Lupu
20 Venus' sister
21 Speak one's mind
22 Art Carney role
24 Art Tatum recording of '49
26 Paper quantity
27 — the Hyena (Capp character)
29 Two — kind
30 Organ of equilibrium
31 South American capital
34 Laotian native
38 Wholly
41 Art Rooney's team
46 Palindromic dictator
47 Wing-ding
48 Croquet arena?
49 Model Carre
52 Pub orders
54 Flask
57 Zimbabwe, formerly
61 Celebratory suffix
62 Alliance
63 Tiriac of tennis
64 61, to Cicero
65 Hosp. areas
67 Stable youngster
70 Casino worker
73 Italian statesman Aldo
75 Art Garfunkel's partner
78 Travelers' aids
79 Food fish
81 Lhasa —
82 Drink like 81 Across
83 Business abbr.
84 Conger or moray
85 "Jeepers!"
88 "Back in the —" ('68 song)
92 Composer Verdi
95 Ms. Van Tassel
97 Yearn
98 "Hook" heavy
99 Chutzpah
101 Watch pts.
103 "Bali —"
104 Art Malik
110 Annoying
113 Depart
114 Tabriz currency
115 Society column word
116 Claire or Balin
118 Bouquet
121 Kite part
124 Art Sansom cartoon
130 Art Fleming hosted it
133 Arrested
134 Hire
135 Mine feature
136 Sportscaster Berman
137 Stout
138 Boca —, FL
139 Kansas city
140 TV chef Martin

DOWN
1 "Dark Lady" singer
2 Helper
3 Gridiron calls
4 Drop a brick
5 Tub
6 Superstar
7 Debussy's "Clair de —"
8 Schoolboy's shot
9 Joan Van —
10 Mile High Center
11 Part of A.D.
12 Permissible
13 Dovecote sound
14 Mil. address
15 More mature
16 Actor Patrick
17 Suspicious (of)
20 Reduce to smithereens
23 Skip
25 Abominate
28 Say please too often?
32 Flavor enhancer
33 Problem solver?
35 Tropical spot
36 — Impasse
37 Fresh
39 Walked
40 Ferrara first family
41 Chanteuse Edith
42 Eric of "Nuns on the Run"
43 — Bator
44 Rampur royalty
45 Fermi or Caruso
50 Long Island resort
51 At — and sevens
53 Baby bird?
55 Soybean product
56 "— Gay"
58 It holds plenty!
59 Lennon's widow
60 Tune
66 Caviar
68 Nile slitherer
69 Composer Franz
71 Actress Thurman
72 — New Guinea
73 Frenzied
74 Take place
75 Nest noise
76 Accuse tentatively
77 "Wuthering Heights" setting
79 Russian jet
80 Agt.
82 Head
86 Fade, as a flower
87 Move like molasses
89 Academic
90 "The Young Lions" author
91 Harness part
93 Tipplers
94 Canyon sound
95 Swiss artist
96 — breve
100 Shoemaker's tool
102 Biol. or chem.
105 Mideastern title
106 Decathlete Bruce
107 Tower material?
108 "Waking — Devine" ('98 film)
109 Pro — (proportionately)
110 Foreword, for short
111 Change for the better
112 New Hampshire city
117 Soprano Gluck
119 California resort
120 Try again
122 Concept
123 Actress Fontanne
125 Encore exclamation
126 "— Bad Apple" ('71 song)
127 Select, with "for"
128 — -mo
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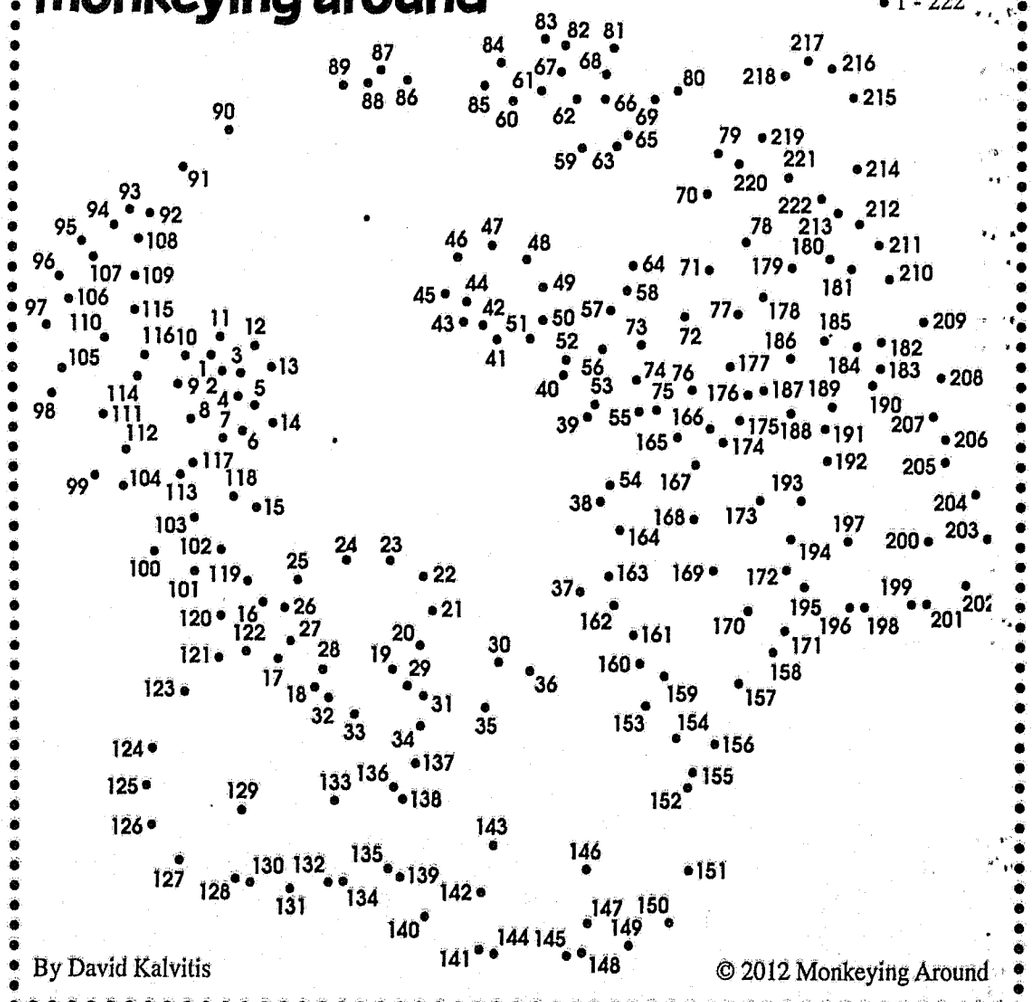

By David Kalvitis

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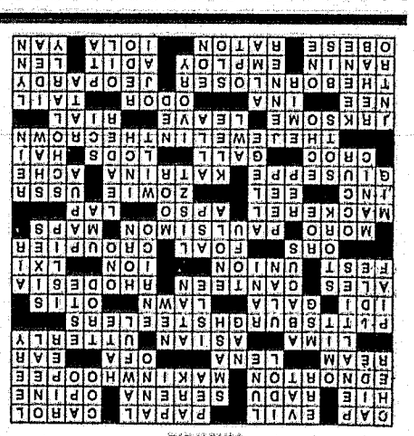
ANSWERS:

Scramblers:
1. Group 2. Harass 3. Entice 4. Balm
Today's Word: Mother

Super Crossword — Answers



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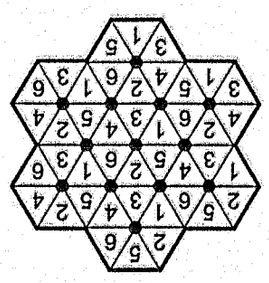

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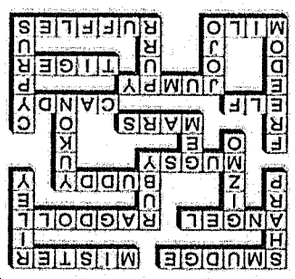

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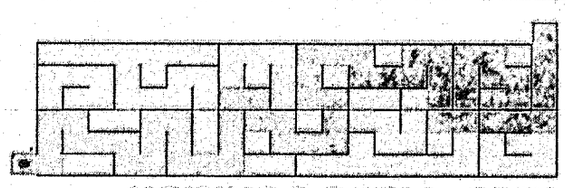

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Community Calendar

Thursdays thru April 19
6 p.m. - **Potluck Supper,** Wilkins Community House, Plummer Hill Road, Waterford.

Tuesdays thru May 1
1 to 3:30 p.m. - **Living Well for a Better Health** at Boardroom, Stephens Memorial Hospital, Norway. Cost: $10 per person, scholarships available. Registration required. FMI/Registration: (866) 609-5183.

Thursday, March 29
4:30 to 6 p.m. - **"Eating for Healthy Aging"** presented by Pat Watson, Registered Dietitian, at West Parish Congregational Church, 32 Church Street. Program offered by Western Mountains Senior College (WMSC). Open to public. Free. FMI: R. Tifft 824-2053.

6 to 6:45 p.m. - **Public Hearing** by Cooperative Board of Region 9 School of Applied Technology proposed budget FY 2013 at Telstar High School Lecture Hall. Another public hearing will be held at 7:30 p.m. in Region 9 Cafeteria, Mexico. All Region 9 citizens encouraged to attend.

Friday, March 30
Norway Open Mic Night with new host singer/songwriter Davy Stgurtevant. Everyone welcome.$3 donation at door. Refreshments available. FMI: 743-2828.

7 to 8:30 p.m. - **Spanish Chocolateria** at Norway Memorial Library, 258 Main Street. Open to public. Pick up free ticket (required) through March 28. Donations appreciated.

Saturday, March 31
9:30 a.m. - **Trout Sale/Farm Pond Construction/ Trout Stocking Workshop**, Oxford County Soil and Water Conservation District, 17 Olson Road, South Paris. Pre-registration preferred. Fee: $5 per workshop. Application and trout order form, OCSWCD, e-mail jean.federico@me.nacdnet.net, or call 743-5789 Ext. 111, or online www.oxfordswcd.net.

5 to 6:30 p.m. - **Benefit Dinner** at American Legion Post 68, Greenwood. 50/50 raffle, and giveaways. Cost: $8 adults/$4 children under 12. Proceeds will be split between Greenwood and Woodstock fire departments to help fund First Responder Class beginning March 24.

7 p.m. - **Gilead Town Meeting** at Town Hall.

7 to 9 p.m. - **Circus Ole! And Feast of Fools,** Four Seasons Conference Center, 187 Main Street, South Paris. Tickets: advance $8 adult/12 and under $6 or door $10/$8. Advance tickets at Maine Bookhouse, 1545 Main Street, Oxford or Fare Share Market, 445 Main Street, Norway. FMI: 824-3575 or 89-0545.. **Sunday, April 1**

2 p.m. - **"Women Were Pioneers, Too!"** presented by Jude Lamb at West Paris Public Library. Lamb portrays here great-great-great-great grandmother, Eunice Lakeman. Free and open to public.

Monday, April 2
6:30 to 8:30 p.m. - **Socrates Cafe** gathering at Waterford Library. Topic of forum: "Will Technology Save Us? Do Us In? FMI: 583-6957 or e-mail wla@waterford.lib.me.us

Mondays, April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30
1 to 2:30 p.m. - **Shoestring Forums:** Healthy Food on a Budget April 2; Clothing – Thrifting is the New Cool April 9; Get a Hold on Household Expenses April 16; Transportation and Entertainment April 23; Community Resources Connections April 30 at Adult Leaning Center, Telstar High School. Cost: $5 each or five for $20. Instructor: Kay Larson. Sponsored by SAD 44 Adult and Continuing Education. FMI/ register: 824-2780.April 2 thru

Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, April 2 thru June 30
"My Picture Book," exhibit by local artist Sheridan "Mac" McLaughlin at West Paris Public Library. Sheridan will give a talk on April 19, 6:30 p.m. at the library. Displayed artwork spans 43 years. Library open 1 to 6 p.m. Monday-Friday, 1 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday. FMI: 674-2004.

Tuesday, April 3
10:30 to 11:15 a.m. p.m. – **Portland Symphony Orchestra Kinderkonzert Series** (for children 3 to 7) but all welcome, Leura Hill Eastman Performing Arts Center, 18 Bradley Street, Fryeburg Academy campus. Tickets: $4 pp may be purchased online at www.fryeburgacademy.org or box office (935-9232. Parking free.

7 p.m. - **The Cordis Quartet,** presented by Mahoosuc Arts Council as part of Gould Performing Arts Series at Bingham Auditorium, Gould Academy. Tickets: $15 adults/$10 seniors 65 and older/$5 for under 12. The group performs at Telstar Regional High and Middle schools and for home-schooled and district charter school students on April 4. FMI: 824-3575 or info@mahoosucarts.org or www.mahoosucarts.org.

Wednesday, April 4
4 p.m. - **McLaughlin Garden Lecture Series** presents Jeff O'Donal of O'Donal's Nursery in Gorham, Maine, to talk about Maine's own Barth daylilies, their history and what makes them special for Maine Gardens. Free and open to public. FMI: 743-8820.

Wednesdays, April 4, 11, 18, 25, May 2 and 9
10 to 11:30 a.m. - **Active Parenting,** six-week parenting group at Norway Savings Bank, 1 Park Street, Bethel. For parents of children 5 through 12. Cost: $15. Scholarships and fee waivers available for qualifying families. FMI/Register: Tammy Beaulieu 739-6547 or Hallie Twomey 333-6425. Note: no childcare available.

Thursday, April 5
Woodstock-Greenwood Senior Citizens meeting. Daughters of Union Veterans putting on dinner.

4:30 to 6 p.m. - **Understanding Osteoporosis**, Oxford Recreational Center (223 King Street), Oxford. No cost for course. Registration required. FMIO/register: (866) 69-183.

7:30 p.m. - **Rory Block,** legendary Blues Artist performs at Leura Hill Eastman Performing Arts Center, 18 Bradley Street, Fryeburg Academy campus. Tickets: $20 adults, $15 seniors (65+), $10 students may be purchased online at www.fryeburgacademy.org or box office (935-9232. Parking free.

Saturday, April 7
3 p.m. - Easter Egg Hunt, Waterford Memorial Library, Routes 35 and 37, Waterford. For Waterford and Harrison elementary school age kids and under. Books given as prizes.

6 p.m. - Snow Valley Sno-Goers Snowmobile Club potluck supper (6 p.m.)/Annual Meeting (7 p.m.) at the clubhouse, off Route 5, Andover. All members and interested persons invited to both. Please bring dish to share.

6 p.m. - Rumford Grange Theme Dinner, "An Evening in Tuscany" at Region 9 School of Applied Technology Cafeteria, Mexico. Social time 5:30 p.m. Cost: $10 per plate. Coordinated by Outlanders to kick off National Grange Month. Proceeds for Rumford Grange 115. FMI/reservations: 364-7882.

Sunday, April 8
6:15 a.m. - Easter Sunrise Service, Locke Mills Union Church. Breakfast 6:30 a.m., regular church service 9 a.m. Everyone welcome.

Mondays, April 9 and 23
10 a.m. - **Essentials of College Planning** for adults 19 and over at South Paris Career Center, 232 Main Street. FMI: (800) 281-3703 or visit http://meoc.maine.edu

Tuesday, April 10
10 to 11:30 a.m. - **"How To Access Business Capital Today"** offered by Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce and Oxford Hills SCORE at Bethel Inn Resort. Cost: $15 chamber members and $20 all others. FMI/Register: 824-2282 or (800) 442-5826.

5:30 to 7:30 p.m. - **Crescent Park School Fine Arts Night.** Work by all students on display. K-3 concert at 6 p.m.

6:30 to 8:30 p.m. - Breastfeeding Class for new and experienced mothers, Harper Conference Center, Ripley Medical Office Building (193 Main Street), Norway. Cost: $10 couple. Pre-registration and payment requested. Classes scheduled monthly. FMI/register: 743-1562 Ext. 6951

Wednesday, April 11
11 a.m. - **Bethel Senior Citizens Club** dinner/meeting at Funky Red Barn with choice of fish or prime rib ($11.95). Reservations/dinner choice must be made by April 3 to Fran Head (824-2114) or Caroline Gould (824-3226). Speaker: Joel Speakman.

5:30 to 7 p.m. - **Seasoning with Herbs and Spices,** First Congregational Church (17 E. Main Street), South Paris. Cost: $10 pp. Sponsored by MaineHealth Learning Resource Center, Stephens Memorial Hospital. Registration required. FMI?register: (866) 609-5183.

Thursday, April 12
5:30 to 7:30 p.m. - **Artwork by all Crescent Park School** students on display. Grades 4-5 concert 6 p.m.

April 12 to May 31
4:30 p.m. - **Walking for the Health of It**, sponsored by MaineHealth Learning Resource Center, Stephens Memorial Hospital. Meet at Riverside Trail at Oxford Hills Middle School (100 Pine Street), South Paris. Free. Pre-registration required. FMI/register: (866) 609-5183.

Friday, April 13
7 p.m. - **"The Vagina Monologues"** production at Oxford Hills Comprehensive High School, South Paris. Cost: $10 advance/$12 door. Students and seniors $10. Tickets available at Books N Things, 430 Main Street, Norway; Ruby Slippers, 103 Norway Road, Harrison; Bridgton Books, 140 Main Street, Bridgton; Spice and Gran, 17 Portland Street, Fryeburg; or at REACH office, 1 East Main Street, South Paris. FMI: REACH 743-9777.

Saturday, April 14
9 a.m. - **Scrapbooking**, Locke Mills Union Church (volunteers may come for any period after 9). Group will go through old photos from the church, and label, date and place them in new scrapbooks. Project will continue afterward on second Saturdays of the month.

9 a.m. to 2 p.m. - **Yard Sale** (24 tables) American Legion Post 72, Church Street, South Paris. Lunch counter open. 50/50 tickets.

12 p.m. - **Honey Bee Club** meeting. Topic: Discussion on controllng and caring for spring problems and disease. FMI: 743-5009.

REGULAR MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Municipal

Bethel Selectmen: Second and fourth Mondays of the month, 7 p.m., Town Office.

Bethel Planning Board: Second and fourth Wednesdays of the month, 7 p.m., Town Office.

Bethel Water District: Third Tuesday of the month, 7 p.m., Town Office.

Gilead Selectmen: Second Wednesdays of the month, 6 p.m., Town Office

Gilead Planning Board: First Thursdaysof the month, 7 p.m., Town Office.

Greenwood Selectmen: First and third Tuesdays of the month, 5 p.m., Town Office.

Hanover Selectmen: Third Tuesday of the month, 6 p.m. unless otherwise posted.

Hanover Planning Board: First Wednesday, 6 p.m.

Newry Selectmen: First and third Mondays of the month, 5:30 p.m., Town Office.

Newry Planning Board: First and third Wednesdays of the month, 7 p.m., Town Office.

Woodstock Selectmen: First and third Tuesdays, 5 p.m., Town Office.
Woodstock Planning Board: First and third Tuesdays, 7 p.m., Town Office

SAD 44 School Board: Second and fourth Mondays of the month, 7 p.m., Telstar High School (occasionally meet at other schools; call 824-2185 for info).

Organizations

Bethel

First Sunday of month, 7 p.m.—Bethel Snow Twisters at 208 Walkers Mills Rd.

Third Sunday of each month, 9 a.m. - Breakfast open to the public at no charge at Bethel Church of the Nazarene.

Wednesdays, 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.— TOPS at Bethel Alliance Church (weigh-in 5:30-6).

Thursdays, 9 to 10 a.m.—Story Time for Children at Bethel Library (story plus craft) with Lisa Fox.
FMI: call 824-2520.

Second Thursday of the month, 10 a.m. to noon; fourth Thursday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.—Cross Country Quilters of Pine Tree Quilt Guild of Maine meet at Moses Mason House Barn, corner of Broad and Mason streets, Bethel. All quilters welcome. FMI: e-mail Pat McCartney at p_quilts@yahoo.com or call Kathy Thrall at 824-3111.

Saturdays, 11:30 a.m. - Guided One-Hour Walking Tour of Historic Bethel Hill. Meet at bell tower on north end of common. Free but donations accepted. FMI: 824-2908.

Woodstock

Second Saturday of month, 6 p.m.—Woodstock Historical Society meeting at the Museum.

Norway/Paris

Mondays, 6:30 p.m.—Hillsmen Barbershop Chorus rehearses at Catholic Church, Norway, New singers welcome. FMI: call Dr. Tere Porter 743-0656 evenings or Pat Fleck at 647-5005

Wednesdays, 7 to 9 p.m. The Yet To be Named Banjo Club practices in the Commons Room of the Fare Share Market, 477 Main Street, Norway. Interested banjoists invited to join. Public welcome. FMI: call Alan Hamilton at 875-2680.

Fridays 9:15 a.m.—Oxford Hills Duplicate Bridge, Norway. For more information, call Les Buzzell at 783-4153 or 754-9153; or e-mail: buzz116@myfairpoint.net.

SUPPORT SERVICES

ABUSED WOMEN'S ADVOCACY PROJECT
AWAP serves all of Oxford County and provides emergency shelter, court advocacy and support groups with child care. Rumford office 369-0750; Norway office 743-5086; 24 hour hotline 1-800-559-2927

REACH
Rape Education and Crisis Hotline 1-800-871-7741. Sexual assault/sexual abuse hotline, same number. Support groups and awareness education, past or present victims of abuse.

AA MEETINGS/ADDICTION HELP
Bethel Freedom Group. Open Discussion Meeting. Saturdays at 4:30 in the Snow Cap Inn conference room, next to the fitness room. Sunday River. Seasonal, Thanksgiving through April 1. Big Book Meeting Sundays at 6 p.m. at the United Methodist Church, Main Street. 12 Step/ Traditions Meeting Tuesdays at 6pm at the United Methodist Church, Main Street. Open Discussion Meeting Fridays at 6 pm at Bethel United Methodist Church, Main Street.

People in recovery from alcohol/drug addiction may need to move to a Next Step group. Open to everyone who feels they may benefit from a change. FMI: Laurence Austin at 824-4077 (calls confidential)

Adult Children of Alcoholics and Dysfunctional Families (ACOA or ACA) meeting at Waterford Library (Route 37 across from the Commons) Thursdays, 10 to 11 a.m. All welcome. FMI call 739-9115.

CANCER WELLNESS
Support and Education for cancer patients, survivors and caregivers. Every Thursday, 1:30-3 p.m. Rumford Hospital, Room 357. (877) 336-7287. Call to confirm during stormy weather.

EXCHANGES/PANTRIES
Clothing Exchange, Bethel Park, 23 Mason Street, Bethel. Hours: Monday 1 to 4, Thursday 4 to 6, Saturday, 10 to 12 a.m. Donations of gently-used clothing only accepted during open hours. No exceptions. 824-4090.
Food Pantry, Nazarene Church, Park Street, Bethel. By appointment only (824-0369).

HELP FOR THE HOMELESS
Rumford Group Homes, Inc. operates three homeless shelters, a transitional living program for youth 18-21, homeless youth outreach and case management services for adults and children. Emergency shelter includes the South Paris Men's Shelter, the Norway Family Center for women and children in crisis, and our Rumford Family Center in Rumford for families. To make a referral or request help in the South Paris area, call 743-6363 or call 369-9439 for help in the Rumford area M-F 9 a.m.-5 p.m. For more information on Rumford Group Homes, Inc. call 364-3551 or visit www.rumfordgrouphomes.org.

MENTAL ILLNESS
Beacon House Social Club, 150 Congress Street, Rumford, a drop-in social club for adults suffering with mental, emotional, or physical illness, provides support, relaxation, and socialization. Monday 1 to 5 p.m.; Tuesday 9 a.m.-2 p.m.; Wednesday 9 a.m.-8 p.m.; Wednesday 3-8 p.m.; Friday 2-7 p.m.; Saturday 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Oxford County Mental Health Services, support for adults and children with mental illness, same location, second floor, open Monday-Friday 8 a.m-4 p.m. For more information, call 364-3549 or (800) 335-9999, or in off-hours 928-3222.

VETERANS' SERVICES
Maine Veterans Home, S. Paris, Veterans' Advocate visits first and third Wednesday each month, 9-12 noon (743-6300); Rumford 9-12 noon second Thursday at VA Clinic at 431 Franklin St. (369-3272). Maine Veterans' Services is located at 29 Westminster St., Lewiston (783-5306). (No visits in July)

MULTIPLE SERVICES
Community Concepts provides Oxford County Head Start, childcare, free rides to Maine Care appointments, subsidized apartments (Bethel, Brownfield, Fryeburg, Norway, Rumford, South Paris), affordable home-ownership opportunities, homeless shelter and assistance with home heating or weatherizing. FMI: call (800) 866-5588 or visit www.community-concepts.org.

LIBRARY HOURS

Andover Library:
Tuesday, Wednesday, and Saturday 1-4:30 pm; Thursday 1-4:30 & 6-8 pm.
Tel: 392-4841

Bethel Library:
Monday 9-1; Tuesday 1-5; Wednesday 1-8; Thursday & Friday 1-5 Saturday, 9-1. Story Hour Thursdays, 9 to 10 a.m., October to May. Tel: 824-2520.

Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond: Tel: 665-2505. Tuesday and Thursday, 1 to 5 p.m.

West Paris Library, West Paris: Monday 1:30-6; Wednesday 1:30-7; Friday 1:30-6; Saturday 10-2.
Patty Makley, Librarian.
Tel: 674-2004

Gardner Roberts Memorial Library, Hanover: Wednesday, 9-3; Thursday, 5-8; Saturday, 9-noon.

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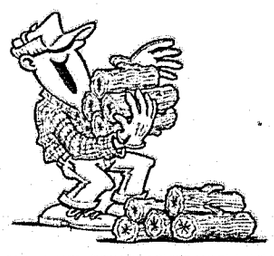

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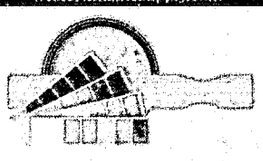

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BHS: Women in Civil War

Sudlow Speaks on Maine Women in the Civil War

On Saturday, March 24, author Lynda Sudlow made a power point presentation at the Telstar High School Library based partly on research conducted for her well-received book, "A Vast Army of Women: Maine's Uncounted Forces in the American Civil War." This "Women's History Month" program represented a collaboration of the SAD 44 Continuing Education Office, Western Mountains Senior College and the Bethel Historical Society.

As Sudlow pointed out early in her talk, the effects of the Civil War were felt at numerous levels in every community, but frequently the impacts on the lives of women, as well as their significant contributions to the war effort, got lost in the shuffle of historical storytelling. Having spent almost a decade gathering the names of virtually every Maine woman involved in the War, Ms. Sudlow described the variety of roles played by women from Maine and elsewhere; she also told about their organizations during this major conflict, including the U.S. Sanitary Commission and the United States Christian Commission. Despite the prejudice against women venturing beyond the role of "caretaker of home and family" in this era, some women did manage to attach themselves to regiments in the field.

Much of the support women gave the war effort, however, was through items they produced for the Sanitary Commission, i.e., bandages, knitted items, etc. They also collected money and large quantities of foodstuffs, and sent funds to assist various relief organizations.

Ms. Sudlow noted that it is difficult to determine how many Maine women left home to participate and assist in the war effort in some way. It is clear, however, that many women carried on the farm work in the absence of their husbands and sons who went off to war. On the question of how many Maine women disguised themselves as men to serve on the battlefield, Sudlow allowed there were probably some, but the evidence she considered scanty. As one reviewer of Sudlow's book has noted, "The description of women-run relief associations in her book is a revealing model for how women from all states endeavored to support the war effort."

Before and after the program, the speaker's book was available for sale by the Bethel Historical Society at a special discount for the day and several of the attendees took advantage of this opportunity, as well as having them autographed by the author.

Founded in 1966, the Bethel Historical Society is western Maine's largest and most comprehensive historical agency. With over 1,000 members, the society fosters a sense of place — with a focus on western Maine and the White Mountain region — by collecting, preserving, displaying and interpreting historically significant artifacts and documents for residents, visitors, students, and scholars. Through its exhibits, programs, events, and publications, the society makes the region's history meaningful, accessible, and enjoyable.

In 1974, the society acquired the former Broad Street residence of Dr. Moses Mason, which now contains a period house museum, exhibit hall and research library. In 1999, the society opened the O'Neil Robinson House (next door at 10 Broad Street) to the public for an expanded exhibit program, museum shop space, and administrative offices.

West Paris Baptist Church

We are pleased to have Bruce and Jean Tyner at the West Paris Baptist Church on Saturday, March 31. There will be a potluck supper starting at 5:30 p.m. and a "Show and Tell" of their trip to Alaska in 2010. Pastor Scott Randolf says he has a movie for the children too young for the Tyner evening.

We also will share our Easter Sunday with the North Paris Federated Church by having Sunrise Service at the Littlehale Farm at 7:30 and Easter Breakfast at the West Paris Baptist Church at 8:30 and our regular Sunday service at 9:45.

We have many great things happening in our little church, so put these on your calendar and come enjoy yourself with us. For more information, please call Pastor Scott at 674-3205 or 376-6854 or Ted Jones at 515-0362.

Church Services

ALBANY

Congregational Church - Hunts Corner, 9:30 a.m. Sunday worship and Sunday School at 9am; Pastor Eddie Gammon. Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Thursdays at the home of Fernand Corriveau.

ANDOVER

First Congregational Church - Rev. Jane Rich. Sunday morning worship 10 to 11 a.m. followed by brunch. All welcome. FMI - 392-3761.

Calvary Bible Church - Pastor Ken Wagstaff.; Morning worship 10:45 - noon. Wednesday prayer meeting, 6:30 p.m. Rt. 5, South Andover. 392-1121.

BETHEL

Bethel Alliance Church - Rev. Kevin Bellinger, Pastor. Sundays: Sunday school for adults and children at 9 a.m.; Worship Service at 10 a.m.; Kidz Klub (4 yrs.-5th grade) and High School Youth Group (9th-12th grade) at 4:30-6:30 p.m. Thursdays: Middle School Youth Group (6th-8th grade) at 5 p.m. FMI: 824-2289.

Bethel Church of the Nazarene - Rev. Chuck Mason, 16 Church Street, Bethel. Sunday School, 9:30 a.m. A.M Worship, 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, Bible Study and Prayer, 6 p.m. Third Sunday of each month at 9 a.m., breakfast open to the public at no charge. For information or if you need a ride or have a prayer request: 824-4028.

Roman Catholic Church of the Holy Savior, Our Lady of the Snows - 265 Walkers Mills Road (Rt. 26), The Rev. Philip Tracy. Saturday Mass, 6 p.m. Office 364-4556, announcements 824-2933.

Episcopal House Church - Third Sunday of the month, 4 p.m. FMI: 824-3932.

West Parish Congregational - Church Street, Rev. Virginia Rickeman, Pastor. Sundays: 10 a.m. worship and Sunday School. Nursery and child care provided. Tuesdays: 8 a.m., informal Prayer Group with coffee in the Chapel. All are welcome. First Wednesday of the month: 8 a.m., Mens' Breakfast in the Dining Room downstairs. Entrance in rear of church. Thursdays: 7 p.m. Choir Practice in the Sanctuary. New voices welcome. FMI: 824-2689; 824-0550.

United Methodist - Main Street - Pastor Carol Stevens. Sunday worship 9 a.m. Bible Study 1:30 p.m. onWednesdays at Sudbury Village, Apt. 15. FMI: 824-0797.

West Bethel Union - Rev. John Williams. Morning worship and 9 a.m. Sunday School. FMI: 836-3533 or 836-2882.

Pleasant Valley Bible Pastor Dave Fraher. Sunday Services: Sunday School, 9 a.m.; Worship Service, 10 a.m.. Ladies Bible study Tuesday, 2:30 p.m. Midweek Bible study and prayer, Wednesday 6 p.m. Awana Club Fridays 3:30-5 p.m. (Cubbies ages 3/4; Sparks Grades K-2; children may take bus from school). Monthly Youth Group meetings and Grades 3- high school. FMI: 836-2828.

Church of Christ - at home of Keith Hamel, minister, 507 Walker's Mills Road (Route 26), Bethel. Sunday: Bible class, 9 a,m; Worship Service 10 a.m. Wednesday: Bible study, 7 p.m. FMI: 824-3577.

Seventh Day Adventist Fellowship: Meets at the Nazarene Church on Saturdays, on Church Street in Bethel. Sabbath School 9:30 a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m. FMI: 824-8939.

EAST STONEHAM

Oxford County United Parish Churches in Stoneham and North Waterford - Services at 10 a.m. at the North Waterford Congregational Church (UCC), located on the Five Kezars Road, off Routes 35 & 37, opposite Melby's Market. Services held at North Waterford through the winter months. Choir practice 9 a.m., followed by Bible Study at 9:15 a.m.

LOCKE MILLS

Locke Mills Union - Pastor Sondra Withey. Sunday Morning Service and Sunday School, 9 - 10 a.m. Bible study at the church is every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

RUMFORD POINT

Rumford Point Church - Sunday service, Sunday School, 10:30 a.m. Sondra Withey.

SUMNER

East Sumner Congregational- Linda Kimball, pastor. Sunday service, 9 a.m.

WEST PARIS

First Universalist Church - Sunday services, 9 a.m., Sept. to June.

West Paris Baptist - 15 Church St. Sunday Worship-9:45 a.m.; Sunday School- 11 a.m.; Word of Life Youth- 6 p.m.; Word of Life Olympians (kids club) -6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study-7 p.m.; Ladies' ministry, food pantry, third Saturday of month. Pastor Scott Randolph, 376-6854.

Mission Congregational Church - Wallace Farnum, pastor. Sunday Worship 8:30 a.m.

WOODSTOCK

Bryant Pond Baptist - Pastor Matt Jones, Sundays: Sunday School 9:15 a.m.; Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.; Evening Service 6 p.m.; Wednesdays: Prayer Meeting 6:30 p.m.

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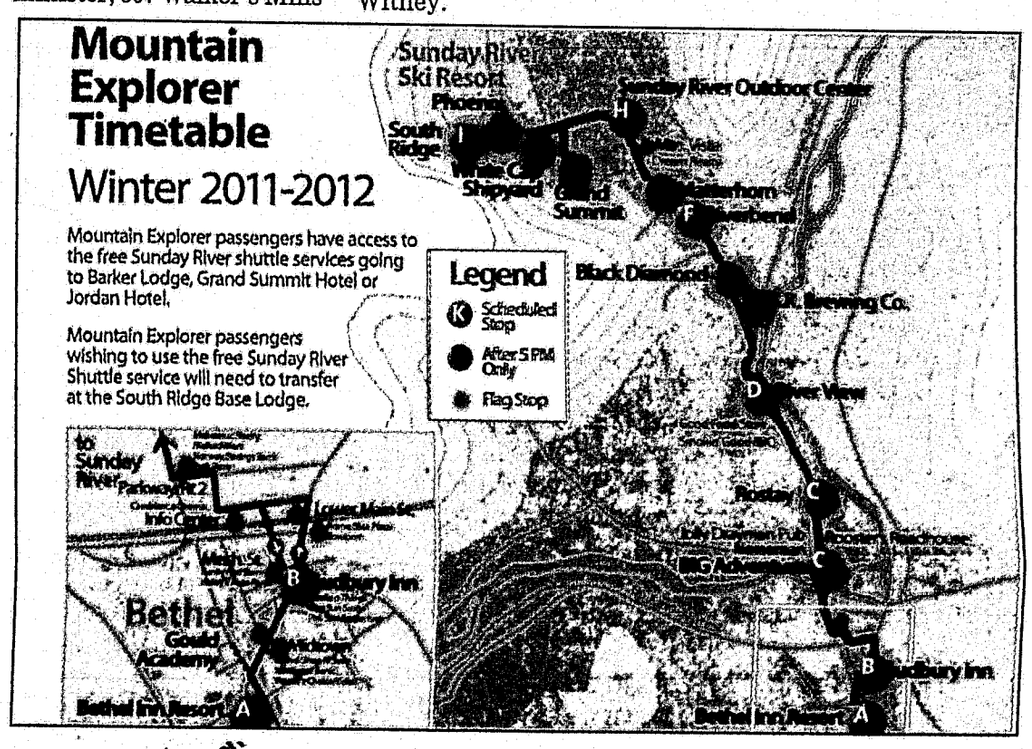

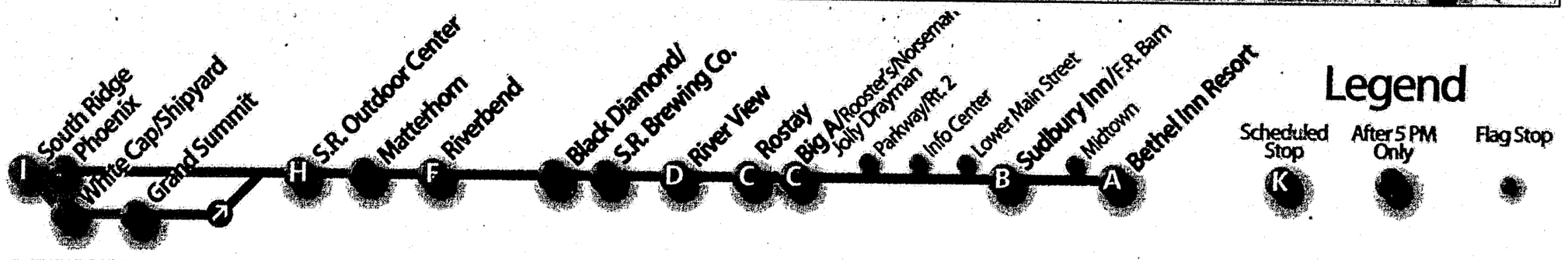

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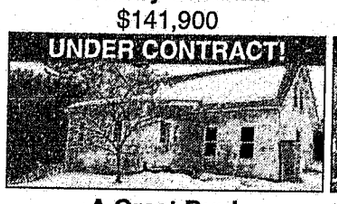

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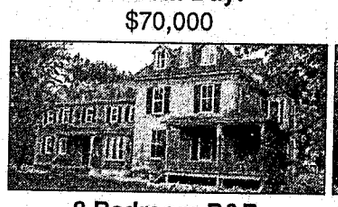
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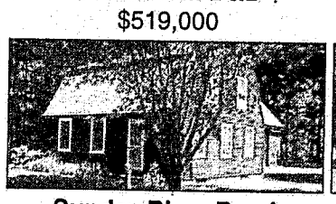
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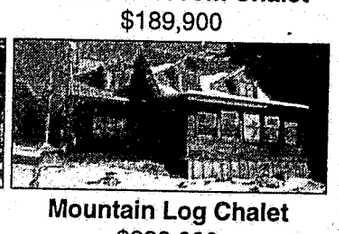
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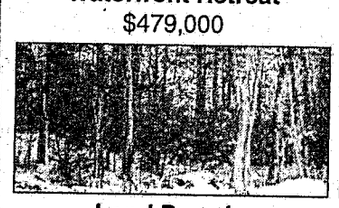
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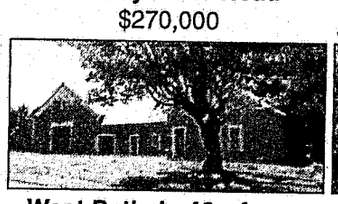
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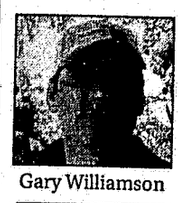
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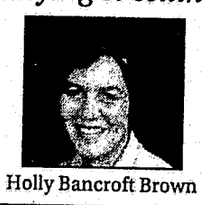
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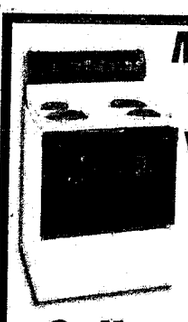

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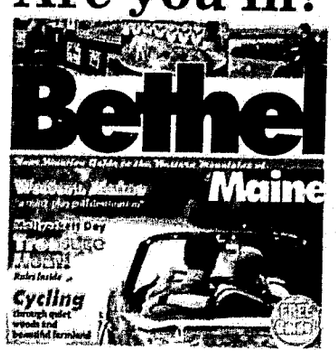

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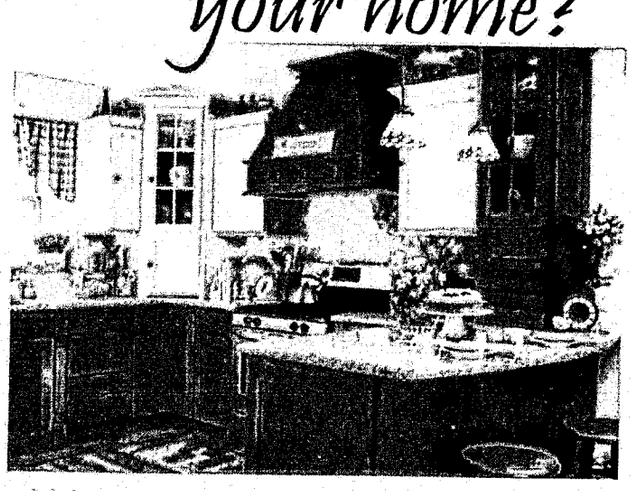

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That the Department of Transportation in accordance with the authority of Title 23 M.R.S.A. Section 651, has determined that public exigency requires the altering, widening, changing the grade, changing the drainage, laying out and establishing of a portion of State Aid Highway No. 8 (Sunday River Road) in the Town of Bethel, County of Oxford.

That the Department of Transportation, in accordance with Title 23 M.R.S.A Sections 701 and 651, hereby lays out the location of a portion of State Aid Highway No. 8 (Sunday River Road) in the Town of Bethel.

That the Department of Transportation, in accordance with Title 23 M.R.S.A. Sections 651 and 151 to 159, has determined that public exigency requires the taking of all rights in land as hereinafter specified and described, and as shown on a Right-of-Way Map, State Aid Highway No. 8 (Sunday River Road), Town of Bethel, State Project No. 17738.00, (PIN 017738.00), dated April 2011, on file in the Office of the Department of Transportation, (D.O.T. File No. 9-365) and to be recorded in the Registry of Deeds of Oxford County, (Eastern District) a print of which is on file in the office of the County Commissioners of Oxford County.

INFORMATIVE SUMMARY

The following is a list summarizing the parcel or item numbers, names of apparent owners of record of land and rights involved, estimated areas, and rights affected, within and adjacent to the before-referenced highway boundaries, as shown on the beforementioned right-of-way map:

Parcel/ Item No.	Apparent Owner	Area	Slopes	Drainage	Temp. Const. Rights	Other Rights & Bldgs.
3	Chadbourne Tree Farms, LLC	None	Yes	None	None	None
5	Locke Summit Estates, LLC	None	None	Yes	None	None
6	Locke Summit Estates, LLC	None	None	Yes	None	None
8	Dorothy M. Dunton	None	Yes	None	None	None
25	Delfina, Inc.	None	None	Yes	None	None
31	Bion Neal Swan	None	None	Yes	None	None

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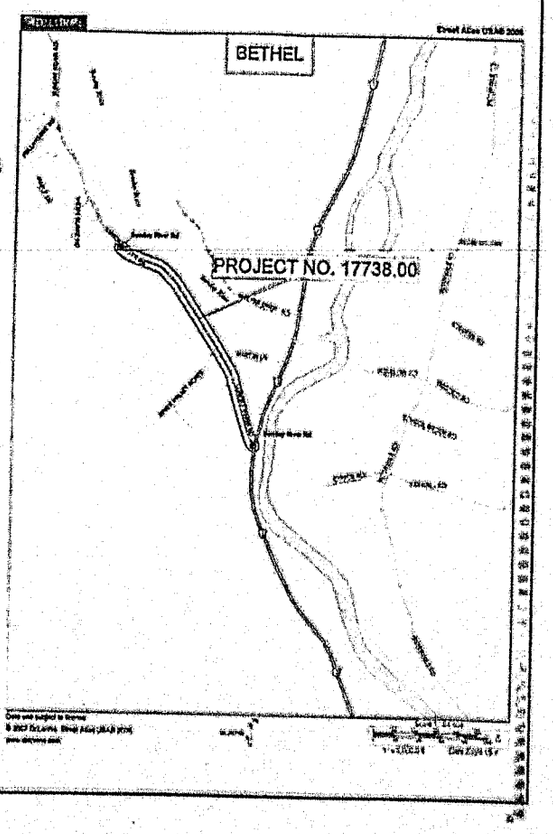
The Department of Tranportation directs that this Notice of Layout and Taking be recorded in the Registry of Deeds of Oxford County (Eastern District) and filed with the Town Clerks of the Town of Newry and the Town of Bethel and with the County Commissioners of Oxford County and published in "The Bethel Citizen" a newspaper published in the County where said highway is located, and also directs that a copy of the Right-of-Way Map be filed with the County Commissioners of said County and also that Notice be sent by Certified Mail to any Owners and Mortgagees of Record.
Dated 9-14-11 at Augusta, Maine
STATE OF MAINE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
David Bernhardt, Commissioner
STATE OF MAINE COUNTY OF KENNEBEC
Personally appeared the above named David Bernhardt, Commissioner, Department of Transportation, and acknowledged the foregoing instrument to be his free act and deed in his said capacity and the free act and deed of the State of Maine.
Before me, Cheryl C. Martin-Hunt, Notary Public
My commission expires December 5, 2017



Obituaries

ALBERT W. BUCK

Albert William Buck, 85, known as "Bucky" to those who knew him best, of Oxford, passed away Saturday, March 24, 2012.

Albert was born in Bethel, July 23, 1926, to Ernest Orlando Buck and Grace Farwell Buck and was one of four brothers.

Albert married Norma Bean at the Bethel Methodist Church on July 18, 1948, when Norma was still in high school; they have been happily married for 63 years.

Together they raised their four children, traveled-whether it be to the camp on Songo Pond, Old Orchard Beach, the top of Pike's Peak or cruising in the Caribbean. He enjoyed boating, ice fishing, traveling and cruising. But above all, Albert loved spending time with his family. Albert was a loving father to his children and grandchildren. His family has memories that will last forever.

Albert was a 32nd Degree Mason and the oldest member of the Kora Temple.

Albert was a hard worker; he served in the U.S. Navy during World War II, then owned and operated two successive "Bucky's Service Stations" for 40 years. After selling the second station, he managed Luce Oil Co. in Bethel and later worked at Bancroft Construction.

Most recently, he worked at Walmart in Oxford until he finally retired at the age of 84. Bucky was a fixture in the community, known to everyone. Throughout his many years of employment, Albert was always held in high regard for his willingness to help and recognized for his hard work and customer service that went above and beyond.

He is survived by his wife of Oxford; three children, Linda Chin of Oxford, Debra Haworth of Colorado, and John Buck of Bethel.

He was predeceased by a daughter, Nancy Buck.

Albert will be greatly missed by all who knew him.

Online condolences may be shared with his family at www.chandlerfunerals.com.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, March 29 at 11 a.m. at Chandler Funeral Homes & Cremation Service, 45 Main Street, South Paris, with interment to follow at Pine Grove Cemetery, Bethel.

Engagements

Clanton — Ruiz-Bernal

Norman and Sylvia Clanton of Bethel are very pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Lisa Marie, to Dr. Gabriel Ruiz-Bernal.

Gabriel is the son of Celia Bernal Alcalde and the late Gabriel Ruiz Munoz of Malaga, Spain.

An October wedding is planned in the groom's home town of Malaga, Spain. The couple resides in Maryland.

Births

Tom and Cherie Gallant of West Paris are pleased to announce the arrival of a baby girl, Hannah Rebecka, born on Feb. 16, 2012, at Stephens Memorial Hospital, weighing 5 pounds, 14 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Ann Morrill of Lisbon and Charles Morrill of Machias.

Paternal grandparents are Dennis and Debbie Gallant of Plattsburg, N.Y.

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John and Tonya Lewis are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter, Lily Catherine Lewis.

Lily arrived on Friday, Jan. 20, 2012, at Mercy Birthplace, Portland, Maine. She weighed 7 pounds, 9 ounces and measured 19.75 inches in length.

Paternal grandparents are Norman Lewis of Woodstock and Eloise Lewis of Bryant Pond. Paternal great-grandparents are John (Jack) and Pilar Bates of Woodstock and Norman Sr and. Barbara Lewis of Cumberland.

Maternal Grandparents are Paul and Kathy Hebert of East Bethel. Maternal great-grandparents are Rowena Dunham of West Paris and the late Herbert Dunham and the late Ferhn and Geraldine Miller.

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Kevin and Megan (Mack) Davis, Bryant Pond, are pleased to announce the arrival of a baby boy, Wyatt Nikolas Davis, born on Feb. 26, 2012 at Stephens Memorial Hospital, weighing 8 pounds, 2 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Richard and Lisa Mack of Bryant Pond.

Paternal grandparents are the late Sheldon and Janice Davis.

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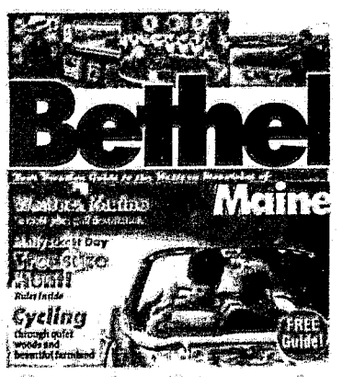
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